



4-H FAST FACTS



A Newsletter for **Christian County** 4-H Families

December



*Christian County
Community Service*

HOSTED BY: CHRISTIAN COUNTY
YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Fleece blankets to be donated to area hospitals!

MAKE THE BLANKETS!

**Tuesday, Dec. 7 & Thursday, Dec. 9
from 3:30-6pm**

Come for one hour or the entire time!

Register:

go.illinois.edu/ChristianCommunityService

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RETURNING MEMBERS ENROLL HERE:

il.4honline.com

Interested in joining 4-H?

Contact the Christian County Extension Office

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To keep up with 4-H happenings in Christian County, including workshops, check us out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ChristianCountyIL4h>



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I CULTURAL EXPLORATION FINNISH GNOMES **CLOVERBUD KIT**



Explore Christmas traditions in Finland
Each kit will include all supplies, directions and
a lesson on Finland.



COST
\$0

**You will need tacky glue or a hot glue gun.*

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Register at:
go.illinois.edu/cjmmgnomes

Christian, Jersey, Macoupin, and Montgomery County 4-H



4-H B&W HOLIDAY PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Submit your digital black and white holiday photograph
by Dec. 17 to harding@illinois.edu.

RULES:

Take a picture with a holiday theme. Must be in black and white!

Photograph must be taken by 4-H member.

2 Age Groups - Cloverbuds Age 5-7 & Age 8-18

Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for both age groups!

If taking 4-H Photography, use skills from the 4-H Photography Manual.

Questions should be directed to Kate at harding@illinois.edu.

Winners announced and pictures displayed on county 4-H Facebook pages



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HOLIDAY BAKING

LEARN TO BAKE DELICIOUS CINNAMON ROLLS!

DECEMBER 11
10-11 A.M.



In-person session: Held at the Extension office in Hillsboro

- Supplies will be provided.
- Everyone will go home with their bread dough to rise, roll out, and bake.
- Cost \$5.00

Virtual session:

- A list of supplies will be provided ahead of time so you can follow along.
- Cost: free

Register at: go.illinois.edu/montgomeryco4h

Call for questions: 217-532-3941

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**EXTENSION OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24 TILL TUESDAY, JANUARY 4.
NORMAL OFFICE HOURS WILL RESUME ON
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2022.**



"PLEDGE YOUR HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING"

**I 4-H VIRTUAL
YOGA FOR KIDS**

**TUESDAY, DEC. 14
4:00 - 4:30 P.M.
AGES 8-18
NO COST**

Register at: go.illinois.edu/cjmmmyoga or call 217-854-9604

JOIN LISA KLAUS ON ZOOM FOR AN INTERACTIVE YOGA SESSION

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Open to 4-H members in Christian, Jersey, Macoupin and Montgomery Counties! If you would like to become a member and participate in this program, please contact us at harding@illinois.edu.



Christian County **4-H SHOWBOOK COVER DESIGN CONTEST 2022**

Prizes for Top 3
Designs!

DESIGN THE 2022 4-H
SHOWBOOK COVER!

ENTRIES DUE FEB 4, 2022 TO
THE EXTENSION OFFICE

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. "CHRISTIAN COUNTY 4-H SHOW BOOK" AND THE YEAR "2022" MUST BE SHOWN SOMEWHERE IN YOUR DESIGN.
2. USE ANY 4-H FAIR OR PROJECT THEME.
3. MUST BE A 4-H MEMBER. THIS INCLUDES CLOVERBUDS.
4. YOUR ARTWORK MUST BE DRAWN OR PRINTED IN BLACK INK ONLY.
5. YOUR ENTRY MUST BE ON WHITE UNLINED PAPER.
6. NO ENTRIES WITH TRADEMARK CHARACTERS/SYMBOLS OTHER THAN THE 4-H CLOVER, ACCEPTED.
7. PUT YOUR NAME AND CLUB ON THE BACK OF YOUR DESIGN IN PENCIL.
8. ONE ENTRY PER PERSON.

AWARDS

Cloverbuds

Cara Eggimann
Connor Eggimann
Hayden Funderburk
Colin May
Lucy Merano
Emilia Piatt
William Pistorius
Braydon Smith
Kaydon Smith
Zaydon Smith

1st year

Layne Bliler
Dalton Cruitt
Nora Curtin
Payton May
Levi Paulek
Ella Ralph
Maybel Repscher
Calum Shanks
Austin Smith
Jayden Smith
Kaitlyn Wemple

10th year

Weston Erlenbush
Conner Grant
Caleb Grover
Jordan Lauwerens
Layne Lebshier
Eric Schafer

4-H Career members

Caleb Grover
Mackenzie Harmon
Layne Lebshier
Eric Schafer



AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Participation

Jared Lauwerens

Bronze

Rayla Brown
Reagan Funderburk
Kyle Jackle-Hugh
Caitlin Lauwerens
Charlee Ryan

Silver

Riley Brown
Adelaide Dunkirk
Gentry Dunkirk
Abby Erlenbush
Chloe Grant
Mackenzie Harmon
Brant Hedden
Caroline Hedden
Payton May
Cole Paulek
Waylon Paulek
Olive Ryan
Opal Ryan

Gold

Drew Mickey
Lizzie Schafer

Promoted to State

Abby Wamsley
Ben Wamsley

AWARDS

Livestock Record Awards

Layne Bliler	Drew Mickey
Dalton Cruit	Cole Paulek
Audrey Curtin	Waylon Paulek
Nora Curtin	Chase Rincker
Will Curtin	Charlee Ryan
Adelaide Dunkirk	Olive Ryan
Gentry Dunkirk	Opal Ryan
Reagan Funderburk	Abby Wamsley
Haley Hanson	Ben Wamsley
Isaac Hanson	Cassie Waterman
Brant Hedden	Kace Waterman
Payton May	Kate Waterman
	Nash Waterman

2021 Foundation Scholarship Winners

Noah Bailey
Riley Brown
Conner Grant
Jordan Lauwerens

Outstanding Treasurer

Audrey Curtin

SHOOTING SPORTS



INTRO TO 4-H AIR RIFLE COMPETITION SHOOTING

Take your existing 4-H air rifle club to a new level! Competition training for 4-H Rifle Club leaders and up to three 4-H Club members will take place on February 19, 2022 from 9am-5pm at Central Illinois Precision Shooters in Bloomington, IL.

Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu for flyer and/or register at: go.illinois.edu/4HAirRifleTraining

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS ADULT VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION TRAININGS

Registration details coming in January, but save these dates:

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| <u>Sat., March 26, 2022</u> | Tombstone Range, Marion, IL
(southern Illinois) |
| <u>Sat., May 7, 2022</u> | 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL
(central Illinois) |
| <u>July 2022</u> | TBD in Northern Illinois |



VOLUNTEERS

4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS! – SAVE THE DATES!

Mark your calendars now so you can participate in the Spring 2022 *4-H Volunteer Café Conversations*.

If you are new to the Illinois 4-H program, the Café Conversations is a platform for 4-H Volunteers and 4-H members serving in leadership roles from across Illinois to meet virtually and discuss topics of interest, share both ideas and challenges. We will identify the topics for the next two Conversations in January!

Thursday, February 17, 2022; 7 PM
Thursday, May 19, 2022; 7 PM

Watch for future registration details!



Join us for 4-H Volunteer

Café Conversations

COMMUNITY SERVICE

ILLINOIS 4-H CLUBS & MEMBERS MAKING VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS!



4-H members and clubs have continued to demonstrate they are ***True Leaders in Service***, as they roll up their sleeves and put the 4-H Pledge into action working toward positive change that empowers their peers and their communities. ***The True Leaders in Service Day is set for Saturday, April 23, 2022!***

Start planning now to focus your energies on the 4th “H” and pledge your HANDS to larger service! Service projects can be the work of individuals, 4-H clubs, or planned as a county-wide service project. No matter what project you feel is needed most in your community – this will be a day to make a difference!

Please use this link to register your Community Service event:
<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=24356>

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS – COMING SUMMER 2022!

We are pleased to announce that we will once again be taking a delegation of Illinois 4-H teens to experience first-hand the wonders of Washington D.C.

We are waiting for a confirmation regarding our travel dates, however we encourage interested teens to begin thinking about being a part of this opportunity where they will connect with teens from across the country to gain skills which will prepare them to be effective changemakers in their communities.

Additional details including confirmed dates; cost; and pre-trip planning will be shared soon!

