

Cumberland County

4-H Newsletter

4-H Families & Supporters,

Can you believe it is February? January breezed by. As we begin to thaw from the polar vortex, there will be more 4-H activities happening. Your newsletter is the number one place to go for information! I post it on Facebook, the website, and 4HOnline for all to view. I would love to begin posting what each club is doing or highlights of an event you do with pictures. Maybe what you are doing will inspire another club. Don't forget 4-H week is coming up! This is a week full of activities, and this year the Federation brought you some new things to try. Have a Happy Valentine's Day! I hope you get lots of chocolate. Chocolate makes everything better. Also, please feel free to contact the office or myself if you have any questions. We will be happy to help you with what we can!

Sincerely,

Jaylynn Maxey

Cumberland County 4-H Program Coordinator

UPCOMING DATES:

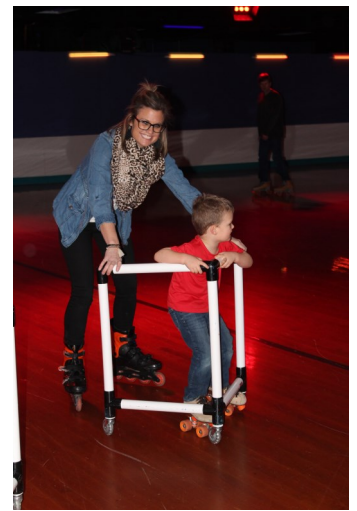
- February 1—**DEADLINE:** IAA Foundation Scholarships
- February 13—**DEADLINE:** Job application deadline for Unit 19
- February 23-24—Illinois 4-H Jr. Leadership Conference, Champaign
- March 1—**DEADLINE** 4-H Livestock Scholarship
- March 1—**DEADLINE:** 4-H Legacy of Leadership Scholarship
- March 1—**DEADLINE:** Farm Credit Scholarship
- March 1—**DEADLINE:** Farm Credit Community Service Grants
- March 3—Leader's Banquet, 6 PM, Toledo
- March 3– 9—Cumberland County 4-H Week - Watch Facebook & Instagram for updates about what to do each day
- March 9—Last day to turn in items for Pantry Scavenger Hunt
- April 6—Public Speaking Contest, 10 AM
- April 27—National 4-H Day of Service #TrueLeaders
- May 1— Fair Participation deadline
- May 4-5—4-H Memorial Fish Camp, Monticello
- June 1—Food Mobile
- June 8—Illinois 4-H Public Speaking Contest
- June 29—4-H BBQ
- July 11— Cumberland County Miscellaneous Show, 3 PM
- July 18-23—Livestock shows, Coles County Fairgrounds
- August 9 – 12—General Projects at Illinois State Fair, Springfield

**Mark
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calendar!**

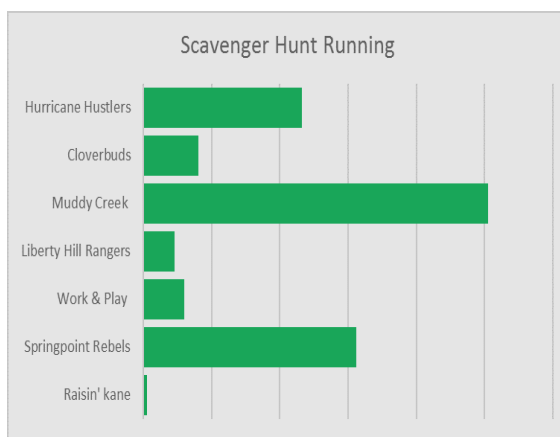
What's happened?

Skate Party

4-H Members from Coles & Cumberland County skated the night away on Sunday, January 20 at the roller rink in Mattoon. This year also included laser tagging! While having fun, members also brought in items for the pantry scavenger hunt. These items were divided and split among the three food pantries that service the county. Cumberland County had 77 skaters that night, and you all did a fabulous job! All ages skated and it was fun to see skaters of all ages helping one another. Thank you to everyone who participated in skate night and brought pantry scavenger hunt items!



Pantry Scavenger Hunt



This year I decided to let clubs see where they stand with the pantry scavenger hunt. So far, below is what has been brought in by clubs! Where does your club fall? I will update this as more items are brought in, so be on the lookout for latest numbers. Also pictured right is all of the items brought in the night of the skate party.



Cumberland County 4-H is the flagship youth-development program of University of Illinois Extension. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any event mentioned in this newsletter, or to unsubscribe, please email jmaxey2@illinois.edu or phone 217/849-3931. Visit the office at 102 S. Meridian, Toledo, IL 62468. Mailing address is P.O. Box 218. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m.

4-H Week Activities

This year's 4-H Week theme is.... **4-H ON AIR!** *Submitted by Liberty Hill Rangers

This theme is open for interpretation, so use your imaginations! Find below a list of the activities we have going on. If you have questions about these activities, contact the office or your leader.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3.....**Leader's Banquet**, 6 PM, Toledo First Neighbor Corporate Office, Hosted by Federation

*This is an event for junior leaders, club leaders, and superintendents to thank them for all the hours put in over the course of the 4-H year, invite only event

MONDAY, MARCH 4.....**Window Display Judging**

Clubs are responsible for creating a window display in local businesses that advertises 4-H to the community. These will be judged by three judges and awards will be given out to top three on Friday evening.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5.....**Tie Blanket Workshop**, Toledo Christian Church Fellowship Hall, 6PM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6.....**Wear your 4-H apparel & Promote 4-H Day**

Be sure to show your 4-H pride! Wear your favorite 4-H shirt or tell a friend about 4-H and invite them to a meeting.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7.....**Thank a Volunteer and Business Day**

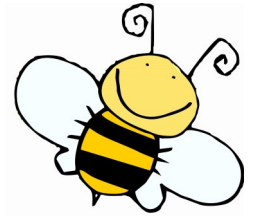
Our volunteers and area businesses do so much for the Cumberland County 4-H program. Clubs were given lists of businesses to thank with cookies or cards.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8.....**4-H Member lock-in**, Jewett Community Recreational Facility, Begins at 6 PM, member pick-up at 7 AM on Saturday. Anyone 5th grade and under will need to be picked up by 11 PM. Members 6th Grade and up will stay the night with leadership games and activities

SATURDAY, MARCH 9.....**4-H Pool Party**, Neal Center YMCA, 5-7 PM, Youth members ages 10 and under will need to be accompanied by an adult. Due to insurance policies, children under the age of 5 will not be allowed to attend.

Beekeeping Supplies

Did you know that 4-H has a entomology beekeeping project? How fascinating! Have you always wanted to start your own hive? Well now you can! Randy Rodebaugh has donated everything you need to start your own beekeeping hive except the bees. Call the Extension Office at 217-849-3931 to find out more information. Don't miss out on this opportunity! Only one available.



Sign-up for your printed newsletter today!

Cumberland County 4-H will now offer a printed and mailed copy of the newsletter for members and their families who request it. If the electronic version by email works for you, that is great! If you would like a mailed copy, you need to call the office and sign up. If you do not, I will continue to only email a copy to you.

Yearly Calendar of Events

Want to know what is coming up? Check out our updated Yearly [Calendar](#) of Events! Follow the link provided or check under the General Information tab of the Cumberland County 4-H Website. (web.extension.illinois.edu/ccdms/cumberland4h/) Remember these dates are all planned, so something may change closer to a given time due to weather or other causes.

Public Speaking Contest

Time for you to face your fear and give that talk! The Public Speaking Contest will be held on Saturday, April 6 at 10 AM at the Toledo Village Hall. This can be one you have given at school, something you have written, an interpretation of one of your favorite works, or just something you are passionate about. Sign up at the office by April 3 at 4:30 by calling the office, sending an email, or message the County Facebook page.

Project Selection Deadline

Be sure to pick your projects in 4Honline by May 1. The last day to order publications will be May 15. Remember Visual Arts are 13 separate projects, so you need to choose which ones you wish to exhibit in. This deadline aligns with the opening of FairEntry to start enrolling in classes for the shows in July. If you need assistance, contact Jaylynn at the Extension Office.

General Project & Foods Show

To better accommodate our members, their families, and the public, we have decided to move the General Projects & Foods show to begin at 3 PM on Thursday, July 11. Registration will begin at 3 PM with judging to begin at 3:30 PM. Following the completion of judging, we will have the food and games for Family Fun Night like we did last year. If you have any suggestions for games, contact the office. It will be potluck style again with Federation providing the main course.

IL State Fair Sheep & Goat

Lambs for the 2019 Illinois State Fair Junior and Open Premiere (carcass) Shows must be, nominated, weighed, and tattooed, between (including) March 15 and May 15, 2019 at the local county level. The animals will be weighed and tattooed with the box "A" tattoo, and fill out the nomination form. The form must be signed by a local Extension employee. For the Illinois State Fair Junior and Open Premiere classes, an exhibitor may nominate a total of ten (10) wethers. Lambs must have been castrated prior to tattooing for the wether classes at the Illinois State Fair.

**Non-Premiere lambs and goats for state fair (those showing in the live show only)
NO MORE REGIONAL CHECK-IN SITES – New nomination format**

All non-premiere lambs and goats for state fair junior show will be Self-Nominated in 2019 as follows:

Exhibitors fill out and send in nomination form with photo of lamb's ear with scrapie tag installed in ear (close up photo of ear so scrapie tag can be read). Nominations must be signed by local Extension Office. This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2019.

Fair Entry & Handbooks

Fair Entry will be open from May 1 to June 1. There will be more details to come in following newsletter. Leaders—if you want to set up an evening for me to come assist you with sign-ups of your members please contact me to arrange that.

Handbooks will be distributed to new families to 4-H for the 2018-19 year. These have all the rules and guidelines for exhibition in them. These will be distributed in March/April. For those who received handbooks last year, you will get a list of updated material instead of a whole book re-printed.

Pantry Scavenger Hunt

It is that time of year again! Time to begin the Pantry Scavenger Hunt! It will run from November 1 through March 9. This will be the last day of Cumberland County 4-H Week. Each club is encouraged to begin their donations for this year's scavenger hunt. This is a great opportunity for the club to get involved and help out the community. 4-H'ers need to bring items to their club meeting or to any 4-H sponsored event from now until March 9, 2019.

Events Include:

November-March Federation Meetings

November-February Leader Meetings

4-H Week (March 3-9)

Don't forget to bring items to your club meetings as well!

Items should be full-size products. Trial size will only receive half points. The 4-H Club that accumulates the greatest point value will receive a gift from the 4-H Federation. Items will be delivered by the Federation to the food pantries throughout Cumberland County. Even in our community there are individuals who suffer from hunger. Most of us do not realize what it is like to be hungry for more than a few minutes. Our 4-H'ers are always great at stepping up to the plate and helping those in need. Let's make this year another success!

POINTS

Toothpaste 20

Deodorant 20

Lotion 20

Shampoo 20

Conditioner 20

Toothbrush 15

Kleenex 10

Bar of Soap 15

Laundry Detergent 40

Boxed Food Items 10/item

Feminine products 25

Toilet paper 20

Diapers 40

Dish Soap 20

Canned Meat 20

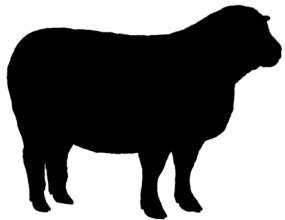
Liquid soap/body wash 20

Paper towels 20

Hand sanitizer 10

Disposable razors

Baby wipes 20



Livestock Weigh-ins



Mark your calendars! If you have a market beef or sheep animal, you need to weigh it in to show. The Beef Weigh-In will be February 17 from 2-3 PM at Ray Flood's House. The Sheep Weigh-In will be on April 27 from 9-10 AM at the storage shed in Greenup. This will be on the concrete pad in the alley behind the big blue shed behind the Greenup Municipal Building. It is catty-corner from Events by MLB and the same block at Gray's Feed & Seed. If you have questions, contact the office.

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Find your place in Federation!

Did you know each club is to be represented in Federation? Clubs should nominate 1-2 Federation representatives that will speak for them at Federation meetings and deliver a report back following meetings. Join them at the next Federation meeting on Sunday, February 17 at 5 PM at the Toledo Extension Office. Want to know more about how you can take part in fun activities like the one pictured? Call the office! Federation is an awesome opportunity to be involved at a county level. It also provides a means of communication between your club and the Federation members so that your club always is up-to-date on what activity will happen



next. Not only does Federation plan county events, they do community service activities and go on a trip at the end of the year. Call the Extension Office (217/849-3931) to find out how you can get involved!



2019 Livestock Fair Schedule

April 6, Saturday 10:00 AM – Public Speaking Contest, Toledo Village Hall
July 11, Thursday 3:00 PM – Foods & General Projects Show, Toledo Christian Church

The following shows will be on the Coles County Fairgrounds unless otherwise stated.

July 18, Thursday 6:00 – 8:00 pm Livestock weigh-in

July 19, Friday 5:00 pm Rabbit Show
7:00 pm Poultry Show

July 20, Saturday 8:00 am Swine Show
11:00 am Sheep Show
3:00 pm Beef Show
6:00 pm Rocket Launch
6:30 pm Family Fun Night

July 21, Sunday 12:00 pm Goat Show
3:00 pm Cat Show
5:00 pm Small Pet Showcase
6:00 pm Master Showmanship

July 22, Monday 10:00 am Dog Show
2:00 pm Llama Show
6:00 pm Carcass Show, Hartrichs – St. Marie

July 23, Tuesday 9:00am Horse Show
6:00 pm Auction



Your bunk is waiting at 4-H Memorial Camp

Great news! 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello will be offering five summer camp sessions in 2019. Choose from one of these summer sessions:

Tuesday, June 4 – Saturday, June 8
Sunday, June 9 – Thursday, June 13
Sunday, June 16 – Thursday, June 20
Sunday, June 30 – Thursday, July 4
Sunday, July 28 – Thursday, August 1



Cost will be \$230 for enrolled 4-H members. This new cost includes a \$15 credit at the Trading Post and a camper t-shirt, so you shouldn't bring cash to camp! Cost to youth not enrolled in 4-H is \$270.

Registration will open February 4 @ go.illinois.edu/4Hcamp! Don't be late. Most spots will be filled by the end of February!

Online ethics certification required for everyone taking 4-H animal projects

All 4-H members enrolled in an animal project area are required to complete the online **Quality Assurance and Ethics course** one time in order to stay enrolled in an animal project area.

The certification must be done if you are enrolled in one of the following projects: beef, dairy, cats, dogs, goats, horses, poultry, rabbits, sheep, and swine. Members who don't complete the certification before the show will be removed from the project and not be allowed to show. Anyone who has already taken the certification does not need to retake the test. The local office has a list of those already certified. Go to go.illinois.edu/4Hqaec. **This rule applies to 4-H members who exhibit live animals AND poster exhibits.**

NOTE: The state 4-H program is reviewing a new program which may replace our current quality assurance and ethics program, but no changes will take effect prior to Sept. 1, 2019.

February is National Black History Month

This February, we celebrate #BlackHistoryMonth. We honor the women and men who broke barriers, defined innovation, and opened doors for today's #TrueLeaders to transcend and thrive in any field! #InspireKidstoDo #BlackHistoryMonth





WHAT'S NEW IN 2019

We've updated the Public Presentation category. Be sure to read the new rules below! Each county can send three entries to the State 4-H Public Speaking Contest which will be held June 8 in Decatur. Go to the Illinois 4-H Website @ go.illinois.edu/IL4H. Click on EVENTS, then State 4-H Public Speaking Contest. Here are the new guidelines for your moment in the spotlight:

Formal Speech | Self-written | Notes Allowed | No props | Individual | 4-8 minutes

Formal Speeches share the presenter's own unique view and are intended to motivate, persuade, or inform an audience and may include a call to action. Youth deliver a speech on any topic they wish (Original Oratory), or choose one of these four topics on which to speak (Topical Response):

Welcome to the Digital Age

What is My Connection to the Global Community?

Power: Who Has It, Who Doesn't, and Does It Matter?

If I Could See tomorrow...

Illustrated Speech | Self-written | Notes allowed | Illustrations Required | Individual | 4-8 minutes

Illustrated Speeches may be used to inform, persuade, or motivate the audience while using a visual aid. Visual aids may be two dimensional, three-dimensional, or digital. Youth may include audience participation. Digital visual aids must be stored on a USB flash drive. Illustrated speeches may be: How-to demonstrations which show the audience how to do something, Object lessons which use objects as metaphors to share a message, Educational models where drawings or diagrams help explain a topic.

Original Works | Self-written | Notecards allowed | Props and Costumes Allowed | Individual or 2-Person Team | Manuscripts sent in Advance | 4-8 minutes

Original works must be written entirely by the presenter. It may be presented as an individual or a two-person team entry. Manuscripts must be sent in advance to the contest. Presentations may be designed for TV, radio, or online media and must be presented live. The types of entries could include: Prose and Short Stories, Poetry, Broadcast Media Program,

Theatrical Combined Program: Combine any number of the above elements along with other creative presentation forms

Oral Interpretation | Published work | Props and Costumes Allowed | Individual or 2-Person Team | Manuscripts sent in Advance | 4-8 minutes

Presentations in Oral Interpretation must be published works, and manuscripts or transcripts must be submitted prior to the event. They may be presented as an individual or a two-person team entry.

The types of entries could include: Prose and Short Stories, Poetry, Theatrical Interpretation, Published Speech Recitation: Excerpt from a spoken presentation delivered by a public figure, such as Winston Churchill, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., or Maya Angelou

Combined Program: Combine any number of the above elements along with other creative presentation forms