

Cumberland County

4-H Newsletter

4-H Families & Supporters,

March is here! That means.... Cumberland County 4-H week! We have so much fun packed into one week to celebrate all that 4-H is. This newsletter will have more details about each event, so pay attention to what you need to bring or where to go for all of the activities. Also, the public speaking contest is coming up soon. I would love to see more of our members give it a try. You don't have to be perfect, you just have to give it your best shot. If you would like to see anything else featured in the newsletters, let me know. Maybe a FAQ each month? Or highlight an event you are interested in.

Sincerely,

Jaylynn Maxey

Cumberland County 4-H Program Coordinator

UPCOMING DATES:

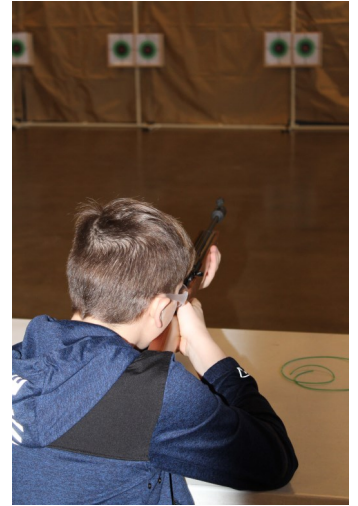
- March 1—**DEADLINE** 4-H Livestock Scholarship
- March 1—**DEADLINE:** 4-H Legacy of Leadership Scholarship
- March 1—**DEADLINE:** Farm Credit Scholarship
- March 1—**DEADLINE:** Farm Credit Community Service Grants
- March 3—Leader's Banquet, 6 PM, Toledo
- March 5—Tie-blanket workshop
- March 6—Wear your 4-H shirt & promote 4-h
- March 8—Lock-in/dance
- March 9—Pool Party at YMCA
- 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
- April 27—Sheep Weigh-in, 9-10 AM, Greenup
- May 1— Fair Participation deadline
- May 4-5—4-H Memorial Fish Camp, Monticello
- June 8—Illinois 4-H Public Speaking Contest
- June 29—4-H BBQ
- July 11— Cumberland County Miscellaneous Show, 3 PM
- July 13—Fair Clean-up, 9 AM, Coles County fairgrounds
- July 18-23—Livestock shows, Coles County Fairgrounds
- August 9 – 12—General Projects at Illinois State Fair, Springfield

**Mark
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calendar!**

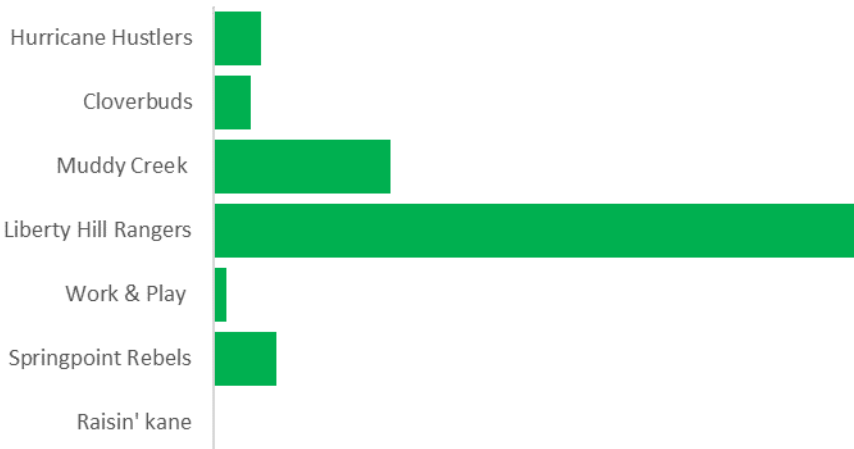
What's happened?

Shooting Sports

It is here! We started meeting with the Cumberland County 4-H Shooting sports Ammo & Arrows Club! Leaders, members, and parents met on February 16 at the Greenup Municipal Building. All members had the opportunity to try out the air rifles and archery equipment. Thank you to everyone who has helped us get here, been patient as we learned a completely new SPIN club, and showed the interest to get it going. We will continue to meet every other week beginning on March 16. If you would like to receive shooting sports email updates, contact the office to get signed up.



Scavenger Hunt Running



Pantry Scavenger Hunt Updates

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

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**

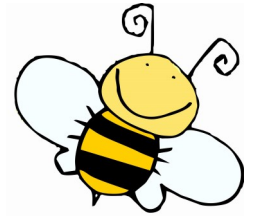
Our volunteers and area businesses do so much for the Cumberland County 4-H program. Clubs were given lists of businesses to thank with cookies or cards.

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 **If you can stay to help supervise, let Jaylynn know. Also if you are staying overnight, please bring blanket/ pillow and snacks. We will have pizza provided as a late night snack.**

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.



Llama/Alpaca Lease

To increase enrollment in our llama/alpaca show, we will allow members to lease these animals from someone else. Like the horse lease, members must complete a lease form with the animal's owner per animal being leased and turn into the Extension office by June 1. Contact the Extension Office to get the lease paperwork sent to you or if you have questions.

Pre-School Night Help Needed

The Cumberland Pre-School has asked us to help out at their family spring night event. It is farm-themed and there will be booths set up for students and their parents to visit. We will need assistance with these booths and serving the food. If anyone can volunteer to help this night, it would be greatly appreciated. The event will be on the evening of March 14. Please contact the office to sign-up. You can count this in your records as a community service event.

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.

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

Canned Food Items 10/item

Feminine products 25

Toilet paper 20

Diapers 40

Dish Soap 20

Canned Meat 20

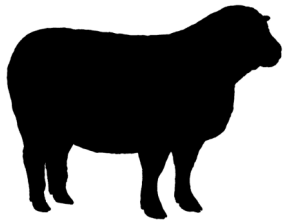
Liquid soap/body wash 20

Paper towels 20

Hand sanitizer 10

Disposable razors 15

Baby wipes 20



Livestock Weigh-ins

Mark your calendars! If you have a market sheep animal, you need to weigh it in to show. 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 Friday, March 8 at the lock-in. 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



Let's go fishing

With the lake fully stocked, 4-H Fish Camp is back at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Fishing begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 4 and lasts until 2 p.m. Sunday, May 5. Learn how to catch largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, and channel catfish. Learn about fishing tips, lures, bait, equipment, knots, fish behavior, fish management, and fish cleaning. Each group registered will be assigned their own log cabin for lodging with single bunks. Participants must bring their own bedding and toiletries.



A fee of \$50 per person covers the complete program, lodging, boat, bait, and three buffet meals, including Saturday lunch and supper and a Sunday brunch. You'll also have fresh fish fillets to take home! Pre-registration and payment is required. To register, contact 4-H Memorial Camp at (217) 762-2741 or send an email to Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu.

Paid camp counselor positions open, male applicants encouraged to apply

Earn a starting salary of \$1,925 while you work outside and lakeside for seven weeks this summer! Counselors, minimum age 16, are needed at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. You will live on-site at Memorial the following days: June 4-13, June 16-20, June 30 - July 4, July 7 - 12, and July 28 - Aug. 1. Meals are provided. Counselors receive a week of training prior to the start of camp. Training dates will be set later according to school schedules. Materials available online at <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-camp>.

Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training Opportunities

Teens have an opportunity this spring to be trained as an Illinois 4-H spokesperson through the *Speaking for Illinois 4-H* program. Speaking for Illinois 4-H training is open to 4-H members who are 14 and older. Both will be all-day training experiences to prepare teens to support our local 4-H program by soliciting donors, speaking to community groups, and updating county boards or other community governing bodies about local 4-H impact. On a state level, those attending a training can register for 4-H Legislative Connection events at the State Capitol where they will tell their story to Illinois legislators. The registration cost is \$12.

WASHINGTON COUNTY: Attend training on Saturday, March 9 at Okawville Community Center, 905 N. Henrietta Street, Okawville. Register online @ go.illinois.edu/sfi4h.

LOGAN COUNTY: Attend training on Saturday, April 27 at the Logan County Extension office, 980 N. Postville Dr., Lincoln. Register online @ go.illinois.edu/sfi4h after March 28.

Celebrate 4-H Volunteers April 7 – 13

Illinois 4-H will celebrate the more than 11,000 4-H adult volunteers supporting and guiding 4-H members during National Volunteer Week, April 7 – 13. 4-H volunteers are the caring adults who are empowering and preparing youth for success as 4-H members provide service to others and in their communities. Today's 4-H youth are engaged in diverse learning experiences where they practice skills employers want; grow and distribute food to communities in need; steward our natural resources; identify local issues and initiate positive change in local, state, national, and global issues; and they make and influence positive choices for healthy living. All of these things happen because of engaged volunteers in local communities.

In Cumberland County, there are 32 volunteers who inspire youth involved in local 4-H programs. 4-H and their leaders include:

- ◇ Cumberland County Cloverbuds: Megan and Houston Napier
- ◇ Hurricane Hustlers: Michael Ryder, Trever Grissom, Nate Brown, Ryan Brown
- ◇ Liberty Hill Rangers: Janet Blade, Vivian Hallett, Ginger Kuhn, Joshua Milliman
- ◇ Muddy Creek: Alan & Tiffany Ingle, Derek & Katy Light, Janene Dittamore, Beth Reeder
- ◇ Raisin' Kane: Jamie & Felicia Huddlestun, Jay & Melissa Maxey
- ◇ Springpoint Rebels: Connie Koester, Chad & Laura Rowlee, Roger & Corrine Swingler
- ◇ Work & Play: Phil & Lori Walk, Kerri Lacy
- ◇ Arrows & Ammo Shooting Sports: Ray Blade, Jill Thornton, Chad Rowlee, Clint & Jackie Beccue
- ◇ Livestock superintendents that are not leaders: Andy Potter, Bill Dittamore, James Ferris, Vernon Miller, Blake Sponsel



Two ways to give to 4-H

Paper Clover Campaign returns in March: It's never been easier to support 4-H. March 27 – April 7, you can donate to 4-H at your local Tractor Supply stores as part of the Paper Clover campaign. Money donated at your store stays right in the county where it's given! Last fall, the campaign raised \$1 million!

Get your Clover at JOANN stores: Between March 1 and April 30, you can donate to 4-H at your local JOANN store. Purchase either a \$1 or \$4 Clover for Kids at the register. \$4 clovers have a coupon for \$4 off your next visit to the store.