



Edwards County 4-H Clover Chatter

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May 2019

May

- 11 4-H Day with the Cardinals!
- 14 Bone Gap Cardinals Meeting Christian Church 7:00 p.m.
- 14 Dog Obedience at the Arena at 6:00 p.m.
- 15 Blue Ribbon Meeting 6:00 p.m. at Farm Bureau Basement
- 15 Little Wabash Ramblers Meeting 6:30 p.m. at Ebenezer Church
- 15 Yankee Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Moravian Church
- 21 Dog Obedience at the Arena 6:00 p.m.
- 22 Ellery Panthers Mtg. 6:00 p.m. at LPCC
- 25 Shooting Sports Mtg./Shoot 6:00 p.m. at Sportsmen's Club
- 27 Office Closed to observe Memorial Day
- 28 Dog Obedience at the Arena 6:00 p.m.

June

- 1 QAEC Deadline!!!
- 1 FairEntry Deadline
- 1 Lease Papers Due today
- 1 Off Premise Forms Due today
- 17 Food & Clothing Show Reg. 5:00 p.m. Judging 5:30 p.m.



ATTENTION, ATTENTION!!! You should have received in the mail instructions on how to register your projects for fair. With this new online system, you can sign up day or night! Deadline is June 1st. Do Not Wait till the Last Minute to do this!



We're Looking for New Members!

You see them at state 4-H events in their bright green shirts. Now YOU can become an Illinois State 4-H Youth Leadership Team member.

Eligibility: Age 16 to 19 by September 1, 2019.

Length of service: Two years, so new Team members selected this summer will serve from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021.

Apply online: go.illinois.edu/4HYLT. Look for the application at the bottom of the page under "Resources."

Deadline: June 7 (for interviews during Illini Summer Academies); July 19 (for interviews during State Fair).

The State Youth Leadership Team plans the state Jr. Leadership Conference, plans and teaches the Speaking for Illinois 4-H program, and assists for many other statewide events. Team members may serve on statewide planning committees and advisory groups, including the Illinois 4-H Foundation Board of Directors, Illinois Farm Bureau Youth Education Committee, Illini Summer Academies planning committee, and Teen Leadership Conference planning committee. Members also have the first opportunity to attend National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C. each spring.

Putting on the dog!

Youth who qualify at their local 4-H show may be eligible to compete at the State 4-H Dog Show, Saturday, August 24 in Dixon! Check out all the details online @ 4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-state-dog-show.



I PLEDGE ... MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY

Tell your story. Win \$50

Everyone has a 4-H story. Now, you can win \$50 for telling yours! Winners statewide will be selected and their 4-H story used in 2020. Here is everything you need to know.

Your video should be no longer than 90 seconds.

Your video should relate to one of these topics:

Through 4-H, I've been able to ...

In my 4-H XXXXX project, I've learned

4-H has taught me to care about my community. I've ...

4-H has helped me feel welcomed by

I've strengthened my leadership skills through 4-H by ...

In the future I want to XXXXX and here's how 4-H has helped ...

Every video should end with "Because of 4-H, I Thanks for helping me grow!"

There are divisions for 4-H Members, 4-H Volunteers, and 4-H Alumni!!!!!!

Send the video file to us at illinois4H@illinois.edu or post it to YouTube and share the link in an email to us. Be sure to save the original file in case we need it later.

Include your first name, your county, and your 4-H club name.

A parent or friend can record you—you're not being evaluated on the video but on your 4-H story. Of course, the more creative the video content, the better your chance of winning.

It's okay to tell your story over time. For example, you may want to show a lamb when it's born, as you work on it, then in the show ring and put all those clips together into your entry.

Videos will be accepted from May 1 to August 1. Winners will be announced and shown at the Illinois State Fair.

Finalists may be asked to improve or edit their video to comply with Extension 4-H guidelines before their prize is awarded.

Questions? Email Judy at illinois4H@illinois.edu.

Dog Obedience

Dog obedience classes have started! The classes are being held each Tuesday at 6:00 p.m., at the 4-H arena. You do not have to be an enrolled 4-H member to attend. Young and Old are welcome!



Leases on Animals

If you plan to lease an animal be sure to have a written agreement with both parties involved. Also, drop a copy by the Extension office by June 1. Anyone needing a basic lease form may stop at the office to receive one or look on the website!

Off Premise Forms

Off Premise forms are due to the office by June 1, 2019. You only need one of these if you have animals and they are not located on your own property. Stop in the office to pickup a form or go to the Extension website under Edwards Co. forms. Thanks!

Congratulations to all of our 4-H 8th Grade & Senior Graduates!

All 4-H Fair open to the be sure to family and friends to the 2019 Edwards Co. Fair. It will be a great time!!



Shows are Public so invite your

State Fair Jr Shows

Be sure to read complete rules and regulations for State Fair Jr. entries. Don't forget to check for current entry deadlines, dates, requirements, and registrations!

Again this year Jr. Show Entries for the 2019 Illinois State Fair may be sent directly to the Entry Department by the Exhibitor. Again this year a signature is required to verify your 4-H status. Stop by the Extension office to have your entry form signed before you mail it.

QAEC Still Needed

We still have a few that must complete the QAEC by the deadline of June 1st! This is an absolute date and it is your responsibility to do this. This rule applies to 4-H members who exhibit live animals and poster exhibits. It is a one time certification! Training is at:

<http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec>

New Awards

Farm Bureau will be sponsoring two new awards this year, at achievement night. Novice (8-11) and Junior (12-14) members will be able to compete for 4-H member, of the year, in their age division. More info soon.



Fun By All At Ag Olympics!

The Edwards County Farm Bureau Young Leaders hosted Ag Olympics for the local 4-H clubs. The event has two purposes, to support local food banks, while having competitive fun amongst the 4-Hers.

Over 70 Edwards Co. 4-H members , enjoyed the evening . Over 550 items was collected for the local food pantry.

The winner of this year's competition was the Blue Ribbon 4-H club!

18 younger 4-H members with materials needed to complete a successful 4-H project this year and in years to come. This is the 10th year for the 4-H Grant Program in Edwards County.

Workshops

We had a couple of well attended workshops during April. The Solar Jar workshop showed a lot of creativity on the attendees part.

A canvas workshop was taught by Denise Michels. The individuals that took part did an awesome job. Thank you Denise for leading and sharing your talent!

Livestock Camps/Clinics

It is great to see several Edwards Co. 4-H members have been or will be attending livestock camps and clinics. By attending these events they are working "To Make the Best Better".

Goal Sheets/Livestock Records

You will be receiving goal sheets and livestock records at your next club meeting. Your leader will have them. You can, also, find them on the Edwards Co. Extension website.

Illini Summer Academies

Several 4-Hers have signed up to attend Illini Summer Academies. It is a week long of fun at the University of Illinois campus. The attendees will spend 18 hours in one of many exciting college study programs. They will get to experience, college life, make new friends and make memories to last a lifetime!

Project Grants Sponsored by Women's Committee

A big **Thank You** to the Edwards County Women's Committee. They are assisting



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