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Lee County 4-H Newsletter

18 August 2020

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Items Highlighted:

- 4-H Fair Awards
- Birthday Bags
- September meeting guidelines & Office update
- County Awards and State Scholarships
- Frame Request
- Upcoming State Contests

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Upcoming Dates

September		October	
1	New 4-H Year Starts!	7-18	Tractor Supply Company Paper
2	Treasurer Book Workshop, 6:30pm, Zoom	12	Clover Campaign
2	State 4-H Award Training, 7-8pm, Zoom		Federation meeting, 7pm, Fairgrounds
14	Drive Through 4-H Awards Ceremony 5-7pm, Fairgrounds	1	
14	Federation Meeting, 7pm, Fairgrounds	9	November State Scholarship Applications Due
15	County Award Applications Due		Federation meeting, 7pm, Fairgrounds

4-H Fair Awards

We have ribbons and trophies for all the kids that participated in the virtual 4-H Fair! YAY!!!

There will be a Drive Through 4-H Fair Awards Ceremony on September 14th at the Fairgrounds from 5-7pm. Follow the signs when entering the grounds to pick up your ribbons and trophies. We will then have the Winner's Circle available for pictures! We kindly ask that families do not linger after their pictures are taken.

Rain Date: September 21 5-7pm.

Federation is collecting items for Birthday Bags to donate to local food pantries!

Bring items with to the Drive Through 4-H Awards Ceremony, drop off to the Amboy Extension Office, or bring to the County Awards Ceremony (date TBD)

Birthday Bags

AS YOU MOVE UP IN YEARS, ADD TO
SOMEONE ELSE'S BIRTHDAY CHEERS!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Lee County Federation invites you to contribute
to "Birthday Bags" to benefit Lee County Food
Pantries.

Items asked for:

- CAKE MIX
- CAN OF FROSTING
- STREAMERS
- BIRTHDAY PLATES/NAPKINS
- BALLOONS
- BIRTHDAY CANDLES
- BIRTHDAY HATS (NO NUMBERS/AGES)
- SMALL TOY
- HAPPY BIRTHDAY CARD (NO NUMBERS/AGES)

Turn in during the Drive Through Awards
Ceremony - September 14

WIN A PIZZA OR ICE CREAM PARTY FOR
YOUR CLUB!

1 POINT PER ITEM
OR
12 POINTS FOR A COMPLETE SET IN
BIRTHDAY BAG

September 4-H Meeting Guidelines & Office Update

Beginning September 1 the following guidelines are in place: gathering size limited to the lesser of 25 people indoors/50 people outdoors or 50% of space capacity. So if your indoor space can hold 100 people you can have 50 people inside.

No matter the location, indoors or outdoors, you must follow social distancing guidelines and you must wear face coverings. We know these are trying times and hope that you will reach out if you have any questions.

Our county offices plan to re-open to the public on September 14. If a no-contact pick-up/drop-off is needed, please call the office to schedule a time. 815-857-3525

County Awards and State Scholarships

Illinois 4-H State Award Training Webinar will take place on Sept 2, 7-8pm via Zoom. Register at <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=22491> We will be discussing the various applications, best practices and hearing the “why” behind the process from some of our Illinois 4-H Youth Leadership Team Members who have excelled in awards. For members who register and attend this event, it will count as a state level activity. This will be a teen led and focused training for members to learn more about the process and to ask questions. A recording of the video will be available for those who cannot make it. Contact Kathy after the event for the recording.

County Outstanding Award Applications are due to the office on Sept 15 by 4pm. Digital copies will be accepted.



Lee County 4-H Award Applications 2020 Dates, Deadlines, & Details *Lee County Awards night TBD*

DEADLINE/Reward	AWARD	DETAILS
September 15, 2020 <i>Due to Lee office</i> <i>-State level- \$75</i>	4-H Club Award Application <i>Open to all clubs & federation</i> Section 1 required <i>Section 2 highly recommended for State nomination</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application • Tutorial Video
September 15, 2020 <i>Due to Lee office</i> <i>-County -Medal & 4-H prize</i> <i>-State level-diamond and emerald only</i>	4-H Experience Award <i>Open to youth 8-18 as of 9/1/19</i>	Offers recognition for members who participate in activities and events. We will also be selecting the County Outstanding 4-H'ers from this application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application • Tip Sheet
November 1, 2020 <i>Submitted electronically directly to state</i> <i>5- \$1000 scholarships per category</i>	Illinois 4-H Scholarship <i>(replaces old Illinois award app)</i> <i>Open to youth 15-18 as of 9/1/19</i> Animal Science, Civic Engagement/Global Living, Creative Performing Arts & Communication,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application • Recommendation Form • Tutorial Video

	Food Systems, Healthy Living/Nutrition, Leadership, Natural Resources & Environmental Science, Personal Growth, and STEM/Robotics	
November 1, 2020 <i>Submitted electronically directly to state</i> <i>Top 10- Plaque and invitation to a conference</i>	Sustaining the Future Award <i>Open to youth 17-19 as of 9/1/20 (Former LCP Award- Rebranded by sponsor- Illinois Farm Bureau)</i>	4-H members who have exemplified outstanding leadership within the agricultural industry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application
September 15, 2020 <i>To Lee office</i>	Secretary Award Treasurer Award President Award Vice President Award Scrapbooking Award	Submit secretary/treasurer/scrapbook book with all documentations President/Vice President are leader nominated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretary/Treasurer Books

Frame Request

We want to decorate the office conference room with pictures of our 4-H'ers! As you're cleaning, save us your unwanted 4x6, 5x7, or 8x10 frames. You are welcome to drop off any frames to the Lee County Office or at the Drive Through 4-H Fair Awards Ceremony!



Upcoming State Contests

Superior Young Livestock Producer Contest

Who: 4-H members ages 14 – 18 as of January 1st

On-site walk-up registration

What: 2020 4-H Livestock Skillathon. Compete for one of nine \$1,000 scholarships.

When: Saturday, Sept. 19th

You can start any time between 9:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Where: South show ring of the Junior cattle barn.

Illinois State Fairgrounds

Test your knowledge on:

- Breeds of cattle, swine & sheep
- Multiple choice quiz
- Marketing
- Equipment Identification
- Quality Assurance

Illinois 4-H State Dairy Judging Contest

September 3 and 4

Register by August 28

Participants - Register at:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=22493>

Contest Details

Contest will be held virtually

Participants will have two days to judge all classes and submit reasons

Juniors 8 to 14, Seniors 15 to 18 years of age as of January 1st

5 classes of cattle to judge

2 sets of reasons for Sr. division

Held virtually thanks to livestockjudging.com

Send questions to Derek Nolan: dtnolan@illinois.edu