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Fulton County 4-H Newsletter March/April 2021

Fulton-Mason-Peoria-Tazewell Unit



Dear 4-H Families:

It's March already, and our spring and summer events will be here soon! Some will be different, and some will edge back toward normal. Many details are still to be set, and even then — are subject to change.

4-H has **so much** to offer. You can do lots of things, or just a few. Be sure to read in this newsletter about upcoming events near, far, and online.

This newsletter is one of our ways of communicating with every 4-H family in Fulton County, but it's up to you to read it!!! As always, call us at 547-3711 if we can help you in any way to get more out of 4-H.

Visit our website!

<https://extension.illinois.edu/fmpt/4-h-fulton-county>

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Illinois 4-H outlines safety requirements for in-person events

We're looking forward to the 2021 season! As Illinois 4-H staff plans for the 2021 show and event season, our top priority will continue to be the safety of all involved, combined with a commitment to creating positive youth development experiences for our 4-H members.

We are preparing for the possibility of returning to in-person events, based on local conditions at that time and in conjunction with current IDPH guidelines.

If current local conditions are conducive to in-person events, the opportunity for face-to-face judging for Fulton County will require that all participants, spectators, and volunteers adhere to Illinois 4-H event guidelines. We are counting on our 4-H members, their families, and our staff and volunteers to do their part to help make our upcoming events as safe as possible, whatever format they take.

The following COVID-19 social distancing and safety practices reflect requirements of the Illinois Department of Public Health and University of Illinois event guidelines. These mitigation protocols also may be modified to reflect any requirements of the local public health department based on local conditions at the time of the event.

Face coverings are required for all youth, spectators, volunteers, and staff when within the defined 4-H event space (inside or outside)

Everyone in attendance will practice social distancing during the event, including maintaining six feet of separation (both indoors and outdoors) from those who are not in their households. To allow for social distancing, building and spectator capacity may be limited based on current public health department guidelines.

Handwashing and sanitizing stations will be provided throughout the venue.

Anyone who has experienced COVID-19 symptoms within the previous seven days is asked to stay home. COVID-19 symptoms include fever, cough, loss of taste or smell, or shortness of breath.

If any of these guidelines presents a challenge for you, please contact us directly at 309-547-3711. We are happy to discuss what accommodations are possible so that we can look for ways that all youth can safely participate in this event.

As excited as we are about the possibility of stepping back into face-to-face judging, we also recognize that this is a continually evolving situation. Illinois 4-H reserves the right to adjust or cancel events in the case of identified risk, such as changes in local COVID conditions or known instances of non-compliance with safety guidelines.

We truly are stronger together. With your help, we look forward to a safe and successful summer!

4-H Federation Sponsored Virtual Fun Night

Thanks to those who participated in our 4-H Virtual Fun Night in January! It was very successful and was enjoyed a lot! Our 4-H Federation members did a GREAT job planning this and carrying it out.

4-H General Show

We are in the early planning stages of how 4-H General Show can be conducted this year. As long as COVID conditions do not get worse, we will be able to have 50 people together at one time. We have reserved the Cuba High School gym for Saturday, July 10, and may also use the afternoon of Sunday, July 11, if necessary. Weather permitting, we will also have some projects judged outside. Project areas will be judged at certain times, then will be dismissed, then another set of project areas will arrive, etc. 4-H members will be sent more information as the time gets closer. Masks will be required of all people present. Those unable to wear a mask may send the project with someone else. Social distancing and plexiglass dividers will also be used. To keep our numbers under 50, parents may need to wait outside (some exceptions will be made). More information will be shared as we get closer to summer.

New 4-H Show Book Will Include Many Changes

New 4-H Show Books will be available around April 1st. 4-H leaders will receive copies for their club. Many projects will have requirement changes, as there have been changes in State Fair requirements, on which we base ours. Please be sure to look up all of your projects and read the requirements carefully.

***Please* — get rid of your old show books!**

***I'm begging you* — get rid of them!! Recycle them, burn with trash, use as cage liners... :)**

The 4-H Show Book will also be posted on our website. If you do NOT want a paper copy, please send an email to jblout@illinois.edu to be taken off the list.

Show Helpers Needed

Adults, please call the Extension Office (547-3711) or email jblout@illinois.edu if you would like to help as a Superintendent on General Show Day. Also, older 4-H members are needed to help as 4-H Assistants that day. Another place that we need help is during the County Fair Livestock Shows, where we need an adult for each species to record the 4-H ratings and pass out ribbons. Please call the Extension Office if you could help in any of these areas, or send an email to jblout@illinois.edu.

To keep our total number of people below the maximum allowed, **we will likely work with a lesser number of volunteers than a usual year.**

4-H Enrollments

Check with your leader to make sure you are enrolled in the right projects — You cannot exhibit something you are not enrolled in.

May 1, 2021 is the deadline for making changes (except for those production livestock projects which had a January deadline — see the November/December 4-H Newsletter). Young persons may join 4-H at any time of the year, but to show at the 4-H Shows, they must be enrolled in their projects at the Extension Office by May 1st of each year.

Spark Camp Workshops

A spring series of 4-H Spark Camp Virtual Workshops will be held in the next few weeks. Registration will be open soon — watch our Facebook page and your email for up-to-date information. These fill up fast, so if you're interested, sign up as soon as you seen them announced.

YQCA and Quality Assurance — Important Animal Project Information

Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, and Dairy Cattle (if showing live animals)

Statewide requirement is that members in these projects must complete YQCA – Youth for the Quality Care of Animals.

Must be done every year they are in the project, to be able to show and be 4-H premium-eligible. Also, State Fair entries will not be approved without this. There are options –

Youth may attend one in-person training presented by Extension staff, a little over one hour long. YQCA Training Dates set at this time are as follows —

Sign up at <http://yqca.org>

May 2	3 p.m.	Fairview Reformed Church Hall	50 person limit
May 22	2 p.m.	Extension Office in Lewistown	30 person limit
May 27	6 p.m.	Extension Office in Lewistown	30 person limit
May 29	10 a.m.	Extension Office in Lewistown	30 person limit

- Pre-registration online is **required**. You may not just show up.
- \$3 per person online payment ahead of time is required. **You cannot pay by check or cash, must be done online.**
- Adults may attend with their kids, but do not register. Adults may not be certified in this by attending, just youth.

or

Youth may take training online individually. <http://yqca.org>

- Cost for this is \$12 per person.

Cat, Dog, Horse, Poultry, and Rabbits

If a 4-H member is taking Cat, Dog, Horse, Poultry, or Rabbits – They are required to complete Quality Assurance and Ethics training, one time during their 4-H years. The website for that is – <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

Animal Science Posters or Displays at 4-H General Show

For any animal projects -- If a 4-H member is showing a poster or other display (not a live animal) at 4-H General Show, they do NOT have to do any type of ethics training. They can do it if they want to. It is still a good learning experience.

Fair Queen Candidate

4-H Federation has been invited to sponsor a Fulton County Fair Queen candidate. If you are at least 16 years old, and would be interested in being 4-H Federation's queen candidate this year, send a short letter to the Extension Office by April 10, or by email to jblout@illinois.edu by April 10.

4-H Livestock Judging Club

4-H Leader Robyn Hendel invites anyone interested to join the 4-H Livestock Judging Club. They hope to be going to some area farms and practice contests. There is still time to join this club if you are interested. Contact the Extension Office at 547-3711 for more information.

Guest Speaker Opportunity

Are you looking for new activities for your virtual club meeting? Bring in a guest speaker! Matthew Hagaman, with the Center for Math, Science, & Technology at ISU, would love to give a crop science demonstration at your next meeting. Your members can get a look inside a real research lab and learn about cutting edge crop sciences happening in Illinois right now! If you're interested, you can fill out this [1-minute interest form](#) - or let Emily know at eschoe@illinois.edu or (217) 300-5557 and she'll help coordinate the visit.

Secretary and Treasurer Books

Leaders — **Please** check with these officers from time to time, to see if they need help in getting this done. They are due in the Extension Office each year by September 30th.

Public Presentations Judging

For those enrolled in the 4-H Public Speaking project, the judging will be Saturday, May 15, at 10 a.m., at the Extension Office in Lewistown (upstairs in the board room). If you want to participate, and are not yet enrolled in that project, you have until May 1 to add it as a project. Call 547-3711 or email jblout@illinois.edu to do so.

If COVID conditions worsen between now and then, this could possibly change to a virtual format.

Categories are Formal Speech, Illustrated Speech, Original Works, and Oral Interpretation. All presentations must be four to six minutes in length. More information will be found in the new 4-H Show Book. Call the Extension Office at 547-3711 if you would like a copy of the score sheet for a certain category.

The state contest this year will be held June 5 in Decatur. More information will be given to those chosen to go on to the state contest.

Reminder of Horse Helmet Rule

Horse Members -- All 4-H members are required to wear a properly fitted ASTM or SEI standard F1163 (or above) certified equestrian helmet whenever mounted or driving AT all 4-H horse and pony events, shows, activities, or practices. **THAT MEANS EVEN WHEN YOU ARE WARMING UP AT THE SHOW.** Original tags must be present in all approved helmets. The 4-H member is responsible to see that this specified head gear is properly fitted with the approved harness fastened in place whenever mounted. Helmet policies apply to all county, area, and state 4-H horse and pony events, shows, and activities. It is recommended that all adults working with 4-H members model the desired youth behavior by also wearing protective helmets whenever mounted or driving. If cost is an issue, the 4-H Horse Committee will help you find a helmet that is affordable. Call 547-3711.



Fulton County 4-H Offers College Scholarships

Fulton County 4-H offers college scholarships to Fulton County 4-H members who are graduating this spring. Complete information was in the January/February 4-H Newsletter. If you need another copy of this, call 547-3711 or view it on our website at https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/fulton_4-h_newsletter_-_january_february_2021.pdf

For each scholarship, the recipient must be a current Fulton County 4-H member; must also be an achievement member; and must actively participate in 4-H events. The application will include a place for the 4-H member to list accomplishments and career goals.

The scholarships will be given to seniors in high school; therefore, these scholarships can only be received once by individuals.

To receive a 4-H Federation College Scholarship Application, contact the Fulton County Extension Office at 547-3711, email jblout@illinois.edu, or stop by. The deadline for submitting an application is May 1, 2021.

What Is an Achievement Member?

A 4-H Achievement Member is one who does what is expected of an active 4-H member —

- Attend 2/3 of the club meetings after joining. Leaders may authorize excused absences.
- Give a talk or demonstration, or exhibit a project.
- Turn in some kind of paperwork — can be record (planning) sheet, 4-H award application, or completed project manual.

This information is in the 4-H Show Book. Most 4-H members do more than this.



Illini Summer Academies

The Illini Summer Academies will be virtual this summer! With the recent risks of COVID 19, Illinois 4-H is bringing the University of Illinois campus to our youth across the state! This is open to those who have finished 8th grade and older.

More Where That Came From—

Every two months, I gather information I think you will want to know about and put it into this newsletter. I also do lots of posts on the Fulton County 4-H facebook page, and special mailings, but there's still more! State 4-H opportunities are many, so there are other things out there you may be interested in, as well. The following website can show you more — 4h.extension.illinois.edu

Unit 4-H Staff

In our four-county Extension Unit, a team works together to provide 4-H programming. Each county 4-H Program is separate, but all work together on unitwide events and program planning.

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Barrow Tattooing and Weigh-Ins

Rules For Barrows —

To be eligible for the County Rate-of-Gain Contest or the Illinois State Fair Premiere Contest, your barrow(s) must be weighed and tattooed before they are 35 days old. All pigs must be tattooed by April 15, 2021. Tattooing of barrows is done at the Extension Office, **by appointment only**, and must be done by the deadlines listed. Call 547-3711 to schedule an appointment.

You only have to do this if you are showing in the Rate of Gain class at the Fulton County Fair, or if you are showing Premiere at State Fair.

For State Fair, all barrows must have been farrowed on or after January 1, 2021. For State Fair Premiere Barrows and County Rate of Gain Contest, the farrowing date is on or after February 10, 2021.

Barrows must be castrated and ear-notched prior to tattooing. Both purebred and crossbred pigs are eligible. Each exhibitor may nominate a maximum of 25 barrows at the time of tattooing. Pigs cannot weigh more than the equivalent of 1.0 pounds per day of age when tattooed.

Please read the rules and deadlines carefully, and check the age and weight per day of age to determine when you may need to have your barrows weighed and tattooed.

Livestock Registration and Health Papers

If you have breeding stock that you want to show at a fair this summer, you must have registration papers. No joint ownership is allowed, and ownership must reflect appropriate deadlines. Livestock shows also require health papers on some animals. You may request a copy of the current County Fair Exhibition Health Requirements from the Extension Office, or view it online at <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Animals/AnimalHealth/Pages/fair-exhibition-requirements.aspx>

Weighing and Tattooing Sheep and Meat Goat Wethers

Sheep Market Wethers & Market Ewe Lambs:

Live Show Wethers – Nomination format —

Lambled on or after January 1, 2021

Ownership Date – May 15, 2021

Self-nomination as follows: Nominations must be signed by local Extension staff.

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).

Call 547-3711 or email jblout@illinois.edu to have the form mailed or emailed to you. This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2021. Extension Office will mail for you to state office.

Junior and Open Premiere Wether and Ewe lambs: - Weigh-in, tattoo, and nomination procedures:

Lambled on or after January 1, 2021.

Junior and open premiere lambs will be nominated, tattooed, and weighed at the county level by Extension staff, using designated tattoo. Call 547-3711 to make an appointment.

Completed nomination forms must be signed by local Extension staff, who will send to state office for you. This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2021.

Meat Goat Wethers: Live Show Wethers – Nomination format —

Wethers – Born on or after October 1, 2020

Ownership dates for Kids & Yearlings not in milk – May 15, 2021

Self-nomination as follows: Nominations must be signed by local Extension office.

Exhibitors fill out and send in nomination form with photo of goat's ear with scrapie tag installed in ear (close up photo of ear so scrapie tag can be read).

Call 547-3711 or email jblout@illinois.edu to have the form mailed or emailed to you. This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2021. Extension Office will mail for you to state office.

State Fair Information

August 12-22, 2021

We will not have parking passes or admission tickets available for sale.

Non-Livestock —

Projects will be conference-judged. That means that if your non-livestock project is **selected** for State Fair, and you choose for it to go, you must go with it. That is called being a State Fair Delegate. Your project remains on display all day. You will bring it home that same day. If you cannot go, the opportunity is passed to an alternate.

To have your non-livestock project exhibited at State Fair, it must be selected as a State Fair Delegate at one of our 4-H Shows in 2021. 4-H members will be allowed to exhibit **only one** non-livestock project at State Fair, if selected to do so.

Our exhibit day for non-livestock projects at State Fair will be **Friday, August 13.**

What is the Difference Between Best of Show and State Fair Delegate?

Every project or project area will have a Best of Show selected at our County 4-H Shows. In larger project areas, sometimes, a Best of Show is selected per unit.

However, State Fair determines how many projects we can send there. Therefore, many more 4-Hers receive Best of Show honors than can exhibit at State Fair. Just because you get a Best of Show, that does not automatically mean you can take your project to State Fair.

Plus, not every 4-H project has a category at State Fair. Over the years, State Fair has had to eliminate some projects from their list because of budget cuts. They eliminated the ones where there had been the lowest number of participants.

Livestock —

A *draft* copy of the State Fair premium book and entry forms are online —

<https://www2.illinois.gov/statefair/competitions/premium-books/Pages/default.aspx>

Our office will print off the sections that you need, if you are unable to access this information from your home. **Entries (non-Horse) are due at the Fulton County Extension Office by July 13. State Junior Horse entries are due June 1.**

Please see page 4 in this newsletter regarding the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals requirement. Your State Fair entry will not be approved and signed by Extension staff if you have not completed YQCA.

The State Junior Horse Show is July 25 to August 1. Entries are due **June 1.**

All Illinois State Fair Junior exhibitors will need to pay entry fees for their animals entered. Fees will be due at the same time as entry forms, July 13 at the Extension Office (Horse deadline is June 1st). Fees are listed on the website.

State Fair Junior Show age eligibility

4-H members aged 8-18 as of September 1, 2020 are eligible to participate in the Illinois State Fair Junior Department, both livestock and non-livestock.

FFA members (who are not also in 4-H) up to 18 years of age as of September 1, 2020 are eligible to participate in the Illinois State Fair Junior Livestock Division. **THESE ENTRIES MUST BE SIGNED BY FFA ADVISORS; THEY CANNOT BE SIGNED BY EXTENSION/4-H STAFF.**

Individuals **previously** enrolled as active members in Illinois 4-H and/or FFA programs and turning 19-20 years of age by September 1, 2020 may participate in the Junior Livestock Division of the Illinois State Fair **only if they are active FFA members** as verified by Illinois FFA and in accordance with one of the following program options: Maintain active membership on the roster of their local high school FFA Chapter; Maintain active membership in a collegiate FFA Chapter in a post-secondary institution of higher education in the State of Illinois; or Maintain active membership in an Illinois FFA Alumni Chapter. FFA members 21 years of age prior to September 1, 2020 are ineligible to show in the Junior Livestock Division of the Illinois State Fair.

Fulton County 4-H Shooting Sports Spring 2021 Session



Fulton County 4-H Shooting Sports is a Special Interest (SPIN) 4-H Club, shorter in duration, and focusing on one subject.

All people present, including adults, must wear a face mask.

Disciplines:	Age	Cost	Location	Instructors	Dates	Times
Air Rifle Limit of 8 participants	8-18 as of 9/1/20	\$20 yearly 4-H program fee* plus \$10 supply fee	613 West Avenue H, Lewistown	Terry Cremer and Craig Hand	April 18 and 25; May 2, 16, 23, and 30 (six sessions)	1:00 p.m. Lasts about one hour
.22 Caliber Pistol Limit of 5 participants	10-18 as of 9/1/20	\$20 yearly 4-H program fee* plus \$10 supply fee	Lee Roy Knuppel farm, east of Canton	Lee Roy Knuppel	April 18 and 25; May 2, 16, 23, and 30 (six sessions)	1:00 p.m. Lasts about one hour
Smallbore (.22) Rifle Limit of 5 participants	10-18 as of 9/1/20	\$20 yearly 4-H program fee* plus \$30 supply fee	Lee Roy Knuppel farm, east of Canton	Lee Roy Knuppel	April 18 and 25; May 2, 16, 23, and 30 (six sessions)	2:00 p.m. Lasts about one hour
Shotgun Limit of 20 Participants	10-18 as of 9/1/20	\$20 yearly 4-H program fee* plus \$30 supply fee	Jacob's Field, between St. David and Canton	Lonnie Van Pelt and Lee Roy Knuppel	April 18 and 25; May 2, 16, 23, and 30 (six sessions)	4:00 p.m. Lasts a little over an hour

*If you pay your 4-H program fee through a 4-H community club, you do not need to pay it again. You would still owe the supply fee.

Mandatory Safety Meeting – April 14, 6:30 p.m. at Fulton County Extension Office (possibly outside, depending on COVID conditions). Those who attended a Safety meeting in a previous session for the same discipline are not required to come. If you are enrolling in a new discipline this time, you must attend the safety meeting.

How to register – Enrollment packets are available on our website, https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/fulton_shooting_sports_packet_spring_2021.pdf or you may call to have one mailed to you (547-3711), or pick one up in person at the Fulton County Extension Office. You may not enroll online for this; signed forms and payment are required.

Deadline to register – April 13, or earlier if it becomes full. You may sign up for multiple disciplines, as long as they are not at the same time. Spots are filled on a first come, first served basis. Payment and all signed forms must be submitted to reserve a spot. If you need assistance with the fee, contact the Extension Office at 547-3711.

All firearms are provided. The only participants who are allowed to bring their own are the advanced members who have permission from the instructors.

Participants will be given eye and ear protection, which they will be responsible for bringing each time to use. If weather causes cancellations, additional dates will be set.

Instructor Lonnie Van Pelt is willing to visit your 4-H club to tell you more about the 4-H Shooting Sports Program. Call the Extension Office at 547-3711 for contact information.

4-H Leader Notes

4-H Program Fees

Because we received a generous grant this year, our 4-H Program Fee is \$10 instead of \$20 per member. In our county, there is a family (household) cap of \$60, meaning that a family (household) will only pay \$60 at the most, regardless of how many children are members.

4-H key leaders will receive a statement shortly after May 1, listing their members and the amount due. The payment from the club will be due June 1.

It is very important that the due date of June 1 is honored. There is a fee waiver form for families to submit if they cannot afford to pay the fee. No one will be denied membership because of inability to pay.

Some 4-H clubs that have larger treasuries may decide to pay the fees (or a portion) from the club treasury. Some 4-H clubs may receive a donation from a local business that could help pay the fees. Some 4-H clubs will opt to collect it from individual families. Some 4-H clubs may decide to have fundraisers to raise these funds. It is up to the individual 4-H clubs how they want to handle the collection of the fees. It is up to the clubs whether they collect the fee now or later, but it must be turned in to the Extension Office no later than June 1st.

4-H Members Need To Be Enrolled To Attend Meetings

Please make sure that ALL 4-H-age youth who attend your 4-H club meetings are enrolled. This provides them with accident insurance at the meetings and legal parental permission to be there. This is important! Please check the member lists we sent you, or email jblout@illinois.edu or call 547-3711 to check enrollments.

All those who are attending meetings, either in person or virtual, are required to be enrolled.

Treasurer and Secretary Book Printouts

At the end of the 4-H year, you **must** turn in your club's 4-H Treasurer's record book (unless you do not have a treasury) and the 4-H Secretary's book to the Extension Office. This is required by the state. **Please periodically check** with your treasurer and secretary, to be sure they are keeping track of and working on the book on their computer. **These MUST be turned in.** There are IRS and other rules that mandate this, and it is not optional. Due date is September 30.

Required Training For All New 4-H Leaders/Volunteers —

ANCRA (Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act) training is required of all NEW 4-H and Extension volunteers. To become a 4-H volunteer, this training must be completed, and a form signed and submitted to our office.

This training is available only online. You may take it at home (or at our office by appointment), but you must follow up by printing out and signing a ***Protection of Minors Acknowledgement Form*** and bringing it to our office (or mail, fax, or send as an email attachment). You are not shown as complete until you do the training and submit the form to us. Here is the website for online training -- <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/extensionprotection/index.cfm>

Please call 547-3711 or email me at jblout@illinois.edu for assistance.

4-H CALENDAR

Please be aware that event dates are subject to change.

April

- 14 4-H Shooting Sports Safety Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Extension Office (possibly outside)
- 18 First day of 4-H Shooting Sports spring session — must be registered ahead of time

May

- 1 4-H enrollment deadline **to exhibit at 4-H shows this year**
- 1 Horse Ownership and Horse Lease Forms due to Extension Office
- 1 County 4-H college scholarship applications due to Extension Office
- 2 YQCA Training, 3 p.m., Fairview Reformed Church Hall — pre-registration online required
- 15 4-H Public Speaking Judging, 10 a.m. at Extension Office (upstairs)
- 22 YQCA Training, 2 p.m., Extension Office in Lewistown — pre-registration online required
- 27 YQCA Training, 6 p.m., Extension Office in Lewistown — pre-registration online required
- 29 YQCA Training, 10 a.m., Extension Office in Lewistown — pre-registration online required

If you are a person who needs a reasonable accommodation to participate in any of the programs or events listed in this newsletter, contact Janis Blout at University of Illinois Extension, Fulton County Office, phone 309-547-3711.

June

- 1 State Junior Horse Show entries due at the Extension Office
- 5-6 Art On Main, downtown Canton — kids' art activities led by Fulton County 4-H
- 19 4-H Sewing and Textiles Show -- Extension Office, times to be announced
- 19 4-H Performing Arts Night -- 7 p.m., Checkrow Community Church, rural Avon

July

- 1 4-H Livestock Entries and Fulton County 4-H Horse Show entries due at the Extension Office
- 10 **4-H General Show – at Cuba High School — times to be announced — also possible that some projects will be judged on afternoon of July 11**
- 13 **State Fair Junior Show livestock entries (non-horse) are due at the Extension Office.**
- 14 4-H Pet Show (not dogs) at the Extension Office — Cats 6 p.m., Other pets 7 p.m.
- 26-31 Fulton County Fair
- 25-8/1 State Junior Horse Show -- Entry deadline is June 1st

August

- 7 Official 4-H Horse Show, Fulton County Fairgrounds, Lewistown -- 9 a.m.
- 12-22 Illinois State Fair (Our non-livestock exhibit day is August 13.)
- 30 4-H award applications due at the Extension Office (it's always the last Monday in August)

September

- 1 First day of the 2021-2022 4-H Year

Extension Office Hours — The Fulton County Extension Office is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It is closed during the lunch hour, 12 noon to 1 p.m. The answering machine is left on when we are out of the office, or when we are away from the phone. Our office is located in the lower level of the Farm Bureau Building, on the north edge of Lewistown. There is a 4-H drop-off basket in the front entryway of the building, which is never locked, so feel free to leave things for us there.

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