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### Dear 4-H Families and Friends,

I hope you enjoyed the holiday season and are as excited as I am to get back into all things 4-H! In this newsletter there are many scholarships, conferences and contest that you can take part in. Think about taking advantage of all that 4-H has to offer. There are several local, state, and national 4-H workshops or conferences that you can attend for a reduced fee due to the local 4-H Scholarships. All members qualify for these scholarships! Make sure you talk to the office before you register online.

Please read all the deadlines and if you have any questions, please contact us. The deadline to add any general show projects you want to take to the 2022 4-H Fair is March 1. This is where you tell us what projects you want to learn more about. You will tell us what you plan to bring to the fair at a later date. Log in to your 4HOnline account to add more projects. Email your program coordinator with any issues.

Due to the paper shortage and in an effort to go green, **starting in March, our 4-H newsletter will switch to a virtual format. If you wish to keep receiving your newsletter in a hard copy via mail, please go to <https://go.illinois.edu/Newsletters> or use the QR code below and let us know!** Requests may also be made by calling the office at 309-342-5108.



Yours in 4-H,

Shelby R. Carlson

### 4-H Steer Weigh-In Scheduled

If you are planning on bringing a steer to the County 4-H Show or to the State Fair, please plan to weigh-in at the Knox County Fairgrounds—**Saturday, February 5 from 10-11:30 am.**

If you have issues with the Knox Fairgrounds date, contact the office. Please call the Extension office to specify how many you plan to weigh-in and a number to call in case of bad weather. We would like to remind members that weigh-in should be done in the county of your enrollment.

### YQCA & QAEC

4-H members enrolled in **dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats** must complete their annual YQCA training either online at [yqca.org](http://yqca.org) (\$12) or at an in-person training (\$3) by **May 1**. An email from Nicole will follow with details for registering. In-person trainings are scheduled as follows and subject to change pending weather. Details will be confirmed a week before the training. Register at <http://yqca.org/> In-person trainings will be held on: **Wednesday, February 16, Knox Agri Center** QAEC training is required for members enrolled in **cat, dog, horse, poultry, and rabbit**. This training must be completed once in a members career. Training must be completed by **May 1**.

# Mark Your Calendars for 4-H Workshops

## Inclusive Leadership SPIN Club

Join us for Inclusive Leadership SPIN Club! Open to High Schoolers who want to become better, more aware, & Inclusive leaders. You do not need to be a 4-H member to join this club. During this SPIN Club we will have conversations on how each of us can be better more inclusive leaders by acknowledging our own bias, hearing from different perspectives, and understanding how diversity, equity, and inclusion. **Meetings will be on February 8, 15, & 23 and March 8, 15, & 23.**

Register at [go.illinois.edu/InclusiveLeadershipClub](http://go.illinois.edu/InclusiveLeadershipClub) by **February 1**.



## Quilting Workshop



Join us for an afternoon learning about a new 4-H project, quilting. Piece by piece, you'll learn basic quilting techniques, patterns, selecting appropriate fabrics, quilting equipment, options for finishing quilts, and binding. This free workshop is open to beginner quilters, ages 8-18. 4-H membership is not required to attend. Participants under 10 years old will need to be accompanied by an adult. The workshop will be held on Saturday, February 12 from 1-4 p.m. at the Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau Auditorium, 1000 N Main, Monmouth, IL. Register online at [go.illinois.edu/quiltingworkshop](http://go.illinois.edu/quiltingworkshop)

## Poultry Workshop

Join us as we learn about poultry showmanship and evaluation along with the basics of embryology at our 4-H Poultry Workshop. Western Illinois University student, Luke Jesgarz, will be sharing his knowledge of all things poultry on **February 19 from 10:30 a.m. to Noon** at the 4-H Center Auditorium in Macomb. This workshop is open for young people ages 8-18 and is free of charge. You don't even have to be a 4-H member to attend so grab your friends and poultry questions and we will see you there! Register online at [go.illinois.edu/Poultry](http://go.illinois.edu/Poultry). A YQCA training will immediately follow for those who need it!



## Cookie Baking & Food Decorating Workshop

Join Knox County 4-H Federation on **March 12** at 9:30 am as we learn how to bake cookies and learn food decorating basics. This workshop is open to members of all ages. Those that attend will learn to make a batch of jackpot drop cookies and the basics of decorating. Some of what we make is yours to keep! Registration is free. The workshop will be held at the Knox Agri Center, 180 S. Soangetaha Rd in Galesburg. If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Nelson at 309-342-5108 or [nenelso2@illinois.edu](mailto:nenelso2@illinois.edu). Register at <https://go.illinois.edu/CookieBaking> by March 4.

## Federation Meeting

The purpose of the 4-H Federation is to cooperate with the University of Illinois Extension 4-H program in unifying and strengthening the 4-H Youth Development program in Knox County. Federation bands together the local 4-H clubs into a central representative body for the improvement of the 4-H club program. Federation makes recommendations regarding the 4-H program, carries out unit-based 4-H activities and events such as camps, contests, fund-raising activities, recreational events and achievement night. Anyone interested in becoming a part of Federation is welcome! Please contact Nicole for more information; 309-342-5108 or email [nenelso2@illinois.edu](mailto:nenelso2@illinois.edu). **Our next meeting will be on Sunday, January 23 in the Knox Agri Center Meeting Room.**

## Loving Bottoms Diaper Bank Drive

The Knox County 4-H Federation will be collecting items to donate to the Loving Bottoms Diaper Bank. Once again we will be making it a competition between clubs. The first place club will be awarded a special surprise treat party courtesy of the Federation Board! The winner will be chosen based on points earned by the club. Points can be earned by bringing in items: diapers, pullups, baby wipes, or sanitary products. 1 item equals 1 point for all items except for the highly needed items which receive 2 points. Highly needed items are pull ups size 5 & 6, baby wipes, and tampons. All sizes and brands welcome. Clubs can get 200 points for hosting a service event at Loving Bottoms. Winning club will be selected on February 28. Items can be brought to the office now until **January 31**.



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## 4-H FAIR BOOK COVER CONTEST

Any 4-H members interested in creating an original design for the 2022 Knox County 4-H Fair Book must submit their entry to the Extension Office by **February 28**. The entry that is selected for the cover will receive a prize and will have their art on display. **To be considered for the contest and to receive the prize, entries must meet the following requirements:** **Title:** Knox County 4-H Fair Book **Paper:** 8.5x11 piece of paper with at least 1/2 inch border on all sides. **Ink:** Black ink or Black Marker (pencil isn't dark enough and the book is printed in black and white) **Originality:** Everything must be freehand. You may not use a computer or copyright graphics. **Fair Date:** Leave a 1x3 inch space for the Extension Office to insert the dates and locations of the 4-H Show and Project Show. **4-H Clover:** The 4-H Clover may not be distorted or rotated. Do not place text or pictures over the 4-H Clover. For a list of guidelines regarding the 4-H Clover, please contact your local Extension office. **Deadline: Friday, February 28**

## SAVE THE DATE—Public Speaking

Save the date! The State Public Speaking Contest will be held on **April 30, 2022**. The State contest will be held at Parkland Community College in Champaign. **Our local contest will be held on Thursday, March 24 at the Knox Agri Center.** You must be enrolled in a Public Speaking project in 4HOnline by March 1 to be able to participate.

There are 4 division in this year's contest. Each division offers options that the presenter may choose to make their presentation unique. Beginner: 8-13 years of age. Advanced: 14 years of age and older. Please note that 4-H members are able to attend the State Contest in one category.

- **Formal Speech** | Self-written | Notes Allowed | No props | Individual | Beginner 2-4 minutes | Advanced 4-6 minutes
- **Illustrated Speech** | Self-written | Notes allowed | Illustrations Required | Individual | Beginner 2-4 minutes | Advanced 4-6 minutes
- **Original Works** | Self-written | Notecards allowed | Props and Costumes Allowed | 4-6 minutes | Individual or 2-Person Team
- **Oral Interpretation** | Published work | Props and Costumes Allowed | Individual or 2-Person Team | Manuscripts sent in Advance | 4-6 minutes | Individual or 2-Person Team

We offer a "4-H Pledge" class to 4-H youth ages 8-10 years old as of 9/1/21.

Food Demonstrations are also held at this time. You must be enrolled in a Foods Project to participate.



## SAVE THE DATE—Horse Competitions

Save the date! The 4-H State Horse Judging will be **February 19<sup>th</sup>** at Black Hawk East in Galva, IL (Registration at 11 AM, judging starts at noon). Northwest Regional Horse Bowl & Hippology Contest will be held on **April 2**. The State Horse Bowl, Hippology & Horse Speaking Contests that will be **April 23 & 24** on UIUC campus!

## Summer Help at the Extension Office

We are looking for help this summer! Are you or someone you know interested in a summer job where you can gain experience while still being a part of your favorite youth organization? We are looking for one motivated and enthusiastic person to assist us in planning and implementing our summer programs including the 4-H Fair. If interested, please contact Nicole Nelson at [nenelso2@illinois.edu](mailto:nenelso2@illinois.edu)

A banner for the Knox County 4-H Livestock Judging Meeting. The background features a black and white photograph of a horse's head on the left and two cow heads on the right, separated by a red and black geometric design. The text "KNOX COUNTY 4-H" is at the top right. Below it, "LIVESTOCK JUDGING MEETING" is written in large, bold, white capital letters. Underneath that, in smaller white capital letters, is "FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN LIVESTOCK JUDGING". The date "JANUARY 17, 2022" and location "KNOX AGRI CENTER" are at the bottom right. A green 4-H clover logo is also at the bottom right. At the very bottom, a grey bar contains the text "I PLEDGE...MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE" in white capital letters.

# SCHOLARSHIPS

- **JACOB IRA BOUXSEIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - TEACH OUTDOOR SCHOLARSHIP**

A **\$500 Scholarship** will be awarded directly to a student who is furthering his or her education by attending college, a university or trade school. Applications are due **January 15** and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>.

- **KNOX COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP**

Online application and guidelines are found at <http://www.knoxcfb.org/scholarships> along with a full listing of eligibility requirements. **Applications are due January 15.**

- **KNOX COUNTY FARM BUREAU FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Online application and guidelines are found at <http://www.knoxcfb.org/scholarships> along with a full listing of eligibility requirements. **Applications are due February 11.**

- **IAA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

The IAA Foundation offers many scholarships. Online application and guidelines are found at [www.iaafoundation.org](http://www.iaafoundation.org), along with a full listing of eligibility requirements and a FAQ section. Application period opens on **January 1** and ends **February 15.**

- **COMPEER FINANCIALS HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP**

Must be a resident of Compeer's 144 county territory. **Application Period: January 1 – March 15, 2022** (application must be received by). <https://www.compeer.com/investing-in-rural-communities/giving-back/scholarships/high-school-senior-scholarships>

- **DON TEEL SCHOLARSHIP**

Applicants must have a home address within Knox County and be a past or present 4-H member. Completed applications must be received no later than **April 1**. Submit completed applications to: Knox County Extension, 180 S. Soangetaha Road, Ste 108 Galesburg, IL 61401. Application can be found at <https://extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-knox-county> under "Resources"

- **KNOX COUNTY SWCD—MAX AND FRANCES SANFORD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Applicants must be Knox County residents enrolled or planning to enroll in an Agricultural or Environmental related program. Applications are due **April 1** <https://knoxcountylswcd.wixsite.com/knox/about>

- **KCAHCE EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is designed to be awarded to Knox County 4-H Members, relatives of KCAHCE members (past and present), or KCAHCE members who are attending college. Applications must be submitted to the Knox County 4-H and Extension Foundation, 180 S. Soangetaha Road, Suite 108, Galesburg, IL 61401 by **April 15**. Past recipients of this scholarship are not eligible to reapply. Application can be found at <https://extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-knox-county> under "Resources"

- **KNOX COUNTY 4-H AND EXTENSION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

The Knox County 4-H and Extension Foundation offers scholarships each year to incoming freshman and sophomores attending a university, college, junior college, or technical school. Applications must be submitted to the Knox County 4-H and Extension Foundation, 180 S. Soangetaha Road, Suite 108, Galesburg, IL 61401 by **May 14**. Past recipients of this scholarship are not eligible to reapply. Application can be found at <https://extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-knox-county> under "Resources"

## Registering for Events:

4-H has so many opportunities for its members to take part in. Did you know the local extension office will help cover the cost of state conferences and events? It's true! Make sure you follow the correct procedure so you don't miss out on any opportunities. The Extension office will cover half of the fee up to a total of \$300 per year per member. The local 4-H Foundation may choose to cover more of the cost.

- Contact your local program coordinator and let them know about the event
- Register for event and select the "pay by check" or "my county will pay" option
- Once the Extension Office has paid their portion and the Foundation has covered the amount they choose, you will be invoiced for the remaining balance
- Please do not pay until you have been invoiced for the total remaining cost

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## Illinois 4-H clubs & members making valuable contributions!

4-H members and clubs have continued to demonstrate they are **True Leaders in Service**, as they roll up their sleeves and put the 4-H Pledge into action working toward positive change that empowers their peers and their communities. **The True Leaders in Service Day is set for Saturday, April 23, 2022!**

Start planning now to focus your energies on the 4<sup>th</sup> “H” and pledge your HANDS to larger service! Service projects can be the work of individuals, 4-H clubs, or planned as a county-wide service project. No matter what project you feel is needed most in your community – this will be a day to make a difference!

Please use this link to register your Community Service event: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=24356>

## Tell Your 4-H Story – Join the *Speaking for Illinois 4-H* Team

We’re looking for 4-H members interested in spreading the great news about 4-H. 4-H members 14 years of age or older can join the ***Speaking for Illinois 4-H*** team. There will be a virtual training offered on **Saturday, January 16 from 9-11 am**.

This virtual training, provided by the Illinois State 4-H Youth Leadership Team, gives you the chance to explore your own 4-H history and why you are involved, put that story into words, and learn the best ways to approach donors, civic groups, elected officials, and others to talk about 4-H. Learn why 4-H believes in Positive Youth Development and how we emphasize the essential elements of Belonging, Independence, Generosity and Mastery. All of this – and more – is a part of *Speaking for Illinois 4-H*! Once you’re trained, you’ll receive an invitation to be a part of our Legislative Connection events. Members of this team will meet a minimum of four times throughout the year virtually as a team to remain on the team. Registration is open NOW @: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/speaking-illinois-4-h-training>. **Registration will close January 13.**

## Animal Science

We are excited to share this closed-captioned webinar from our partners at Michigan State University Extension: [Zoonotic Disease Resource Webinar, Protecting People and Animals](#).

Additionally, Michigan State University Extension has partnered with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to create multiple other resources designed to help prevent the spread of zoonotic diseases. These resources are highlighted on the [informational webinar hosted by MSU Extension](#) and also include educational resources available to promote healthy interaction between animals and people, strategies to bring awareness to the issue of the spread of zoonotic diseases and planning materials to keep animals and the public safe and healthy.

Additional resources can also be found highlighted on MSU Extension’s [Fair and Animal Health webpage](#), and the [zoonotic disease webpage](#).

The webinar opportunity and development of these resources has been supported by a Cooperative Agreement from The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Council of State & Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE).

## Join the U of I Global Club to have FUN and CHANGE the WORLD

Join the IGlobal team from the University of Illinois College of Education in meeting with students from around the world!

- Work with peers from other countries virtually to solve global challenges
- Learn about global markets, global climate change, UN Sustainable Development Goals
- Make friends from around the world
- Build your precollege expertise and Intercultural experience
- Learn from University of Illinois professors and college students.

Guided by the University of Illinois professors and college students, each meeting will consist of group challenges to solve global problems,. You do not have to be in 4-H to take part in this FREE opportunity. Enrollment is open to individuals and groups/classrooms in 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

The club meets once a week, **January through March** and there are three time options to choose what works best for any schedule: Saturdays at 8AM, Mondays at 8AM also Tuesday at 9AM or 4PM. \*No language or previous experience required. Please have the **registration submitted by Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 2022**. [go.illinois.edu/globalclub](https://go.illinois.edu/globalclub) Send questions to [ehugh2@illinois.edu](mailto:ehugh2@illinois.edu)



**FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.**

## Camping & Outdoor Living

Are you ready to get back to camping at 4-H Memorial Camp? We are! We are planning on having four (4) Summer Youth Camps in the summer of 2022. New this year, we will have an early registration period for 4-H Members only. Watch for additional information to be shared on the 4-H Memorial Camp [website](#) and on our Facebook [page](#).

### Registration Dates:

Jan. 24-Feb. 6, 2022: 4-H Members Only Feb. 7, 2022- until full 4-H Members and non-members

**Camp Dates:** June 5-9, 2022 June 12-16, 2022 July 5-9, 2022 July 17-21, 2022

Summer camp employees wanted! If leading activities for youth campers, being a role model, working outdoors and interacting with your peers sounds like your kind of job, then you may be one of the people we are looking for. Apply to work with us this summer as we get back to Summer Youth Camping. We start accepting applications for the following positions January 1, 2022.

### Summer Program Staff (18 years old minimum)

Summer/Seasonal Assistant Camp Director, Lead Male/Female Counselors, Lifeguards, Outdoor Education Director, Arts & Crafts Director, Creation Station (S.T.E.M.) Director, Recreation Director, Climbing Tower Director

### Cabin Counselors (16 years old minimum)

Additional details and application materials can be found on the 4-H Memorial Camp [website](#) towards the bottom of the page under *4-H Resources*. Contact Andy Davis [ardavis1@illinois.edu](mailto:ardavis1@illinois.edu), (217) 762-2741 with any questions.



## Let's Get Social!

We'd love to connect with you on social media! If your club has a picture or story you'd like to feature on the State social media pages, send it our way! Tags do not work reliably in Facebook, but feel free to connect on Facebook Messenger with a post to share or email the picture and your club name, county, and a line or two on what's happening in the photo to [carissa7@illinois.edu](mailto:carissa7@illinois.edu).

What makes a great picture that's easy to share?

- Good lighting (make sure we can see everyone!)
- Mask/safety protocols are being followed
- Everyone in the picture has a signed release form as part of their onboarding paperwork
- Your picture tells a story! Action shots are great, or pictures where you can easily tell what's going on even if you don't read the caption. So, a tight group shot of kids together isn't as inspiring as a picture of kids around a garden they just built or actively working on planting.

**Follow along on the state pages for news, announcements, and stories!** Instagram: @illinois4h Facebook: @Illinois4H

## GET YOUR TACKLE READY - 2022 4-H Sport Fishing Virtual Monthly Challenges Coming Soon!

Open to all current year 4-H members, but sweet prizes only for 4-H members registered in the 4-H Sport Fishing project for the 2021-2022 year. Tournament details coming soon!

April – Crappie State 4-H Tournament

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament

## 4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS! – SAVE THE DATES!

Mark your calendars now so you can participate in the Spring 2022 *4-H Volunteer Café Conversations*.

If you are new to the Illinois 4-H program, the Café Conversations is a platform for 4-H Volunteers and 4-H members serving in leadership roles from across Illinois to meet virtually and discuss topics of interest, share both ideas and challenges. We will identify the topics for the next two Conversations in January! **Thursday, February 17, 2022; 7 PM Thursday, May 19, 2022; 7 PM** Watch for future registration details!

# Club Reports

Club Report Submissions are due by the 26th of each month by 11:59 PM to Nicole, [nenelso2@illinois.edu](mailto:nenelso2@illinois.edu)  
Please keep your submissions to a maximum of 200 words to ensure space for all club reports.

**RoboStorm Report by Seth King** RoboStorm participated in the FIRST Lego League qualifier competition at Woodruff High School on Saturday, December 11. This was the first live competition for everyone except one member, but they performed like seasoned veterans. They were very consistent and efficient during the robot game competition. Then, in a rather cramped and sweltering judging room, they showcased all the work they did throughout the season. Over the course of 30 minutes, they were scored on their Innovation Project, Robot Design, and Core Values. Later that evening, they were awarded the top Innovation Project out of all 32 teams in an online awards ceremony. This season's FLL theme was focused on problems with transporting cargo, and the team focused on keeping large live-stock safe during transit. Their project, "Your Onboard Livestock Observer", used artificial intelligence to monitor the health and safety of horses, cattle, and pigs. This system would allow the driver to focus on safely driving and only be alerted if there was an issue in the trailer. This idea, along with their research and presentation skills, achieved a nearly perfect score from the judges. All team members reported having a great time and learning a lot this season. RoboStorm Team members: Nick Flacco, EmmyLou Harris, Stephanie Heiden, Kyeler Heimer, Quinten Jones, Olivia King, Andrew Steele. Coaches: Seth & Shannon King, Cory Heimer

**Williamsfield Town & Country Report by Jaden Doubet** The Williamsfield Town & Country 4-H Club held a meeting on Sunday, December 12th at the Williamsfield United Methodist Church. We discussed our activity for the next meeting, our upcoming educational tour, and important dates in the future. Prior to the club meeting, officers and a few members helped prepare the parent appreciation meal. Also, mentor groups were started back up again with get to know you questions. After the meeting, we had a gift exchange. Our next meeting will be held January 9th at the Williamsfield United Methodist Church.

**Federation Report by Emma Seiboldt** Members from the Knox County 4-H Federation Board went shopping on December 13th, for two angels. They were to pick a boy and a girl from the tree that was hosted by the Knox County YMCA. These gifts were bought at the local Target, and each child was given \$60 worth of gifts for the upcoming holiday. This was a fun service project for the members of the board, as well as a fulfilling one, knowing that two children will be able to receive gifts this season.

## HELPFUL TIPS FOR 1ST YEAR 4-H FAMILIES

Is it possible to be both excited and confused at the same time? Yes, just ask any 1st year 4-H parent. That is why we have put together a few helpful tips to get you through your 1st year.

- Make sure to review the projects your kids are signed up for on [il.4honline.com](http://il.4honline.com)
- There is still time to enroll for General Show projects (basically anything non livestock). You have until March 1 to add General Show projects.
- 4-H Fair Books are available online typically starting in April. We encourage you to look up project details for all projects you plan to exhibit. Don't forget to check out the fair dates and deadlines.
- Is your kiddo signed up for a livestock project? If yes, make sure they have completed their QAEC and or YQCA.
- Fair entries will be completed online through [fairentree.com](http://fairentree.com) starting in April. You will have until June 6 to complete
  - This is when you choose exactly what projects you want to take to the 4-H Fair. Please know that you by no means need to take everything that you enrolled for in 4HOnline. Choose projects that the 4-H member is most excited about and that you know you have time to complete.
- Know that your friendly neighborhood 4-H Program Coordinator, Nicole Nelson, and the rest of the Extension Office are here to help you with fair entries. We are more than happy to make arrangements for 1 on 1, to help you complete the entries or help answer questions about project details.
- Remember that everyone in your club or Extension office has had a 1st year in 4-H and are more than happy to help you with your questions. Feel free to ask your 4-H Club leader, officer team, fellow members and other 4-H families.
- Lastly take a deep breath you are doing great! You are more than half way through your 1st year. The second year will be a walk in the park. **Here is to a great 4-H year!**

## Dates to Remember

January 15	DEADLINE: Jacob Ira Bouxsein Memorial Scholarship
January 15	DEADLINE: Knox County Cattlemen's Scholarship
January 16	Speaking for Illinois 4-H Virtual Training
January 17	Livestock Judging Meeting
January 23	Federation Meeting
Jan 24-Feb 6	4-H Memorial Camp Members Only Registration
January 31	DEADLINE: Loving Bottoms Diaper Bank Drive
February 5	Knox Steer Weigh-In
February 11	DEADLINE: Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship
February 12	Quilting Workshop
February 16	YQCA Training, Knox Agri Center
February 17	4-H Volunteer Café Conversations
February 19	Poultry Workshop
February 19	State 4-H Horse Judging Contest
February 28	DEADLINE: Fair Book Cover Contest
March 1	<b>DEADLINE:</b> General Project Enrollment
March 12	Cookie Baking & Food Decorating Workshop
March 24	Knox 4-H Public Speaking Contest
March 31	Dog Obedience Orientation
April 1	DEADLINE: Don Teel Scholarship
April 1	DEADLINE: Knox County SWCD Max & Frances Sanford Memorial Scholarship
April 2	Northwest Regional Horse Bowl & Hippology Contest
April 15	DEADLINE: KCAHCE Education Scholarship
April 23	True Leaders in Service Day & Fairgrounds Cleanup
April 23 & 24	State Horse Bowl, Hippology & Horse Speaking Contest
April 30	State 4-H Public Speaking Contest
May 1	<b>DEADLINE:</b> YQCA yearly certification and QAEC
May 1	<b>DEADLINE:</b> Horse Ownership & Lease Paperwork
May 14	DEADLINE: Knox County 4-H and Extension Foundation Scholarship
May 19	4-H Volunteer Café Conversations
June 1	<b>DEADLINE:</b> Dog Ownership & Lease Paperwork
June 6	<b>DEADLINE:</b> FairEntry Registration
June 11	Knox County 4-H Dog Show—Tentative
July 10	Knox County 4-H Horse Show—Tentative
July 16	Knox County 4-H General & Clothing Show—Tentative
July 17-19	Knox County 4-H Livestock Show—Tentative

## Farmer's Forecast

Please submit all Farmer's Forecast articles and JPG photos to [nenelso2@illinois.edu](mailto:nenelso2@illinois.edu). Articles are due no later than the **26th of the month at 11:59 PM**. Need Ideas about what to write? Just ask!

<b>January:</b> Bracken Busy Bees	<b>February:</b> Cameron Kids	<b>March:</b> Delong Livestock
<b>April:</b> Happy Hustlers	<b>May:</b> Henderson Aggies	<b>June:</b> Knox County Power Clovers
<b>July:</b> Rio Livestock	<b>August:</b> Rising Clovers	<b>September:</b> Rusty Spurs
<b>October:</b> Union	<b>November:</b> Victoria Cloverleaf	<b>December:</b> Walnut Grove Progressors



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