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Hello 4-H Families and Friends,

First and foremost, congratulations to all of our 4-H members who are graduating from High School this year. We are proud of all of your accomplishments.

May is a great time to start deciding what you are bringing to the 4-H fair. You can accomplish this in the 4-H Fair Entry program; entries, please go to the website <https://faireentry.com>. You will use the "find your fair" option to search for your fair and sign in with your 4-H Online information. Once you are in the fair entry program, you will see a welcome message. Please read this carefully. Each 4-H member will make their entry. We ask that you are very patient and you give yourself plenty of time to complete the entries before June 10.

The fair entry system will close on June 10. Here are a few tips that might make it go faster.

- First, review the 4-H book and the classes that you plan to entry.
- Second, write out the class name. Keep in mind you can only have one General Show project per category for this is based on your level in the 4-H project. Please review your project enrollment in 4-H online before you move into the 4-H Fair Entry system.
- Third, enter into the fair entry system and click on the projects that you plan to take to the fair. You will notice that you will select the word "choose" many times. Once you have completed your selection, you will see all the classes that you entered.

Please contact Beth with any questions you may have about the 4-H Fair Entry process. We are happy to help but ask that you don't wait until the last minute to register.

Yours in 4-H,

Shelby R. Carlson

4-H FAIR PREMIUM CHECKS

The 2021 4-H fair premium checks have been sent out. Please make sure to cash them as soon as possible. This helps us a great deal with our paperwork.

I PLEDGE...MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING

Crop Scouting Competition, August 4, 2022

Crop Sciences Research & Education Center, 4202 South 1st St., Savoy, IL 61874. Check-in and registration start at 8 a.m. The competition starts at 8:30 a.m. and will end by 1:30 p.m.

- The competition is open to high school students completing grades 9-12 in the spring of 2022. They will work in teams of 2 to 5 students led by an adult coach. Coaches can be FFA advisers, agriculture teachers, seed dealers, co-op employees, and others. No more than three teams per sponsoring organization (e.g. company, school, club).
- This will be an outdoor event.
- Meals: Lunch, beverages, and snacks will be provided.
- Prizes: \$500 for 1st, \$300 for 2nd, and \$150 for 3rd.

Questions? Contact program coordinator Chelsea Harbach at harbach2@illinois.edu.



ACES Family Academies

The University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences will host ACES Family Academies on July 14-15, 2022. ACES Family Academies is a two-day learning experience for alumni to bring youth ages 8-13 to stay on campus, eat in the residence halls, and participate in interactive classes, all while learning about ACES majors, programs, and research. Cost is \$125. Registration deadline is June 3, 2022. Full schedule and educational session information is available online.

<https://acesalumni.illinois.edu/events/aces-family-academies>



4-H At Home

How do you teach kids what data is? Show them. In the latest 4-H at Home activity, kids can learn exactly what the internet is with the help of augmented reality to visualize all those bits and bytes.

Get started here: <https://4-h.org/about/4-h-at-home/internet-basics/>

4-H Equity Challenge

Join the 4-H Equity Challenge! Individuals or teams of 2-3 youth ages 13 – 19 will identify problems, define answers, and develop digital media projects that outline possible solutions, empowering teens to become effective change agents and equity leaders in their communities. Participants will present their project in a local or state 4-H Challenge event for an opportunity to win \$500+.

Learn more here: <https://4-h.org/parents/true-leaders-in-equity/true-leaders-in-equity-institute/>

True Leaders In Equity Institute

Empowering youth/adult teams to be change agents within the Cooperative Extension System, this training and leadership opportunity on July 11-14 in Bethesda, Maryland challenges participants to work together to ideate and champion equity-related projects that will grow 4 H in their communities. National 4-H Council will provide up to 20 scholarships to exemplary application submissions. Apply by June 6. Register now at:

<https://4-h.org/parents/true-leaders-in-equity/true-leaders-in-equity-institute/application/>

Superior Young Producer Scholarship Program

This is offered by the Illinois State Fair to 4-H members in Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy, and Horses as an educational activity at the Illinois State Fair to promote youth development and personal growth. Three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in horses and three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in dairy. A total of nine \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in a combined contest for beef, sheep, and swine contestants.

McDonough County Superior Young Producer Award

Locally McDonough County has a SYP Award in the area of Beef -Horses-Sheep-Swine. On **June 24, between 8:00 am-3:30pm** at the McDonough Extension office participants can take the test. However, you will need to contact the office by June 22 if you are interested in participating.

Purpose: To create an educational activity at the McDonough County 4-H Fair which promotes youth development & personal growth through knowledge of the livestock industry & career development. Also, to provide a local contest for those who are interested in pursuing the Superior Young Producer contest at the Illinois State Fair.

How old do you have to be:

There will be 3 age divisions for the McDonough County Superior Young Producer (SYP): *Junior* 8-12 y/o, *Intermediate* 13-14 y/o, and *Senior* 15-18 y/o as of September 1st, 2021.

Are you Fair Ready?

Your 4-H team is busy working to plan the 2022 4-H Fair in a way that is safe for all participants and volunteers. We need you to do your part to make sure you are ready for fair. Remember that all members should have attended 4 meetings to be eligible to show at the 4-H show. You must also have given a talk or demonstration, although some clubs might have additional requirements. Think you are going to struggle to meet these requirements? Reach out to Beth to form a plan!

Fair Entry Deadline

Members, can make your fair entries by visiting <https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/16522>

Once you are in the fair entry program, you will see a welcome message. Each 4-H member will make their entry as an individual. You should see a list of family members eligible to exhibit. You will make entries one youth at a time.

- Cloverbuds do NOT need to use the 4-H Entry System. They will just bring their project the day of the Mini Fair.
- Families with multiple children, once you are done selecting projects for the first kid you will need to select "register another Exhibitor" to enter your second kid's projects and so on. Once the family is completed you can then submit everyone at once. Otherwise once you submit you will need to wait until the office approves before you can enter your second youth's projects.

We ask that you are very patient and you give yourself plenty of time to complete the entries before June 10. The fair entry system will close at 11:59 p.m. on June 10. We will not have a scheduled Fair Entry Night. If you need one on one help we encourage you to make special arrangements with the office. We are happy to help but ask that you don't wait until the last minute to register.

Mobile Friendly Fair Book

Maybe you misplaced your copy of the 2022 Fair Book or maybe you are away from home and need to look up a detail. Have no fear! Our website is smart device friendly! Just go to our website

<https://extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-mcdonough-county> and look under "Fairs and Show".

Check out the masters at this year's state fair

Each county may send one entry into the Illinois State Fair Master Showmanship Contest. The contest begins at 7 p.m. Friday, August 12. Exhibitors must be at least 14 and no older than 18 (as of 9/1/21). You need to supply your own animals for the contest, but may make arrangements to borrow animals from exhibitors at the fair. The contest is sponsored by Illinois Farm Bureau and RFD Radio.

McDonough County's Master Showmanship Contest will be held during Thursday, July 7 at 5:30 p.m. The participant with the highest score will represent McDonough County during the Illinois State Fair Master Showmanship Contest.

You be the judge at Illinois 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest

Registration is open for the 2022 Livestock Judging Contest to be held June 20 at the Stock Pavilion in Urbana! The Illinois 4-H Livestock judging program teaches youth to identify breeds of livestock and helps them make decisions which improve their local herds. Register here by June 17: <https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockJudging22>

Warren County 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

Are you interested in livestock judging and evaluation? The Warren County 4-H Livestock Judging Contest is scheduled for May 28 at the Warren County Fairgrounds. Registration is at 8 a.m. and the contest begins at 9 a.m. For more information or to request a contest flyer contact Shelby at srcarls2@illinois.edu.

WIU Livestock Judging Contest Results

We are honored to announce that was the fifth year for the Bruce A. Engnell Memorial Award. The top Senior and Junior individuals receive a trophy as well as had their names added to the trophy that will remain in the Extension Office. This year it went to Preston Rohde of Livingston-McLean County (Senior) and Leah Mills of Clinton County (Junior).

Congratulations to our McDonough County participants.

Juniors :

Nolan Hoge, Macie Bartlow, Payton McGrew, and Ethan Hoyt
(5th team over all)

Macie Bartlow - 2nd overall in Beef

Nolan Hoge— 1st overall in Swine

Nolan McGrew and Finn Chatterton

Seniors:

Hayden Brint, Owen Torrance, and Leah Sargeant

Sheep and Goat Nomination Forms

4-H members who hope to show sheep or goats at the State Fair need to complete the self-nomination process by May 15. A copy of the paper work has been sent to your family email. Friendly reminder that a clear, close up image of the ear with the scrapie tag must be included. Forms will need to be signed up 4-H Extension Staff by the deadline. Starting this year Ewe lambs (Females) are eligible for the Premiere Carcass Show.

Please contact Beth by email chattert@illinois.edu for an extra copy of the paperwork and/or with any questions.

Virtual Basic Video Editing Workshop

Youth ages 8-18 are invited to join us virtually for our virtual basic video editing workshop. No prior experience of special software is required although a personal computer or Chromebook is encouraged to fully take part in the workshop experience. The workshop will be held May 19 from 5-6 p.m. via Zoom. Questions to Shelby at srcarls2@illinois.edu.

Register By May 13 at go.illinois.edu/VideoMaking



2022 4-H State Shoots – SAVE THESE DATES (but keep practicing now!)

4-H State Archery Shoot- Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 at Pekin Archers, Pekin, Illinois

4-H State Shotgun Shoot- Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 at Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill, Illinois

4-H State Rifle Shoot- Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022 at Central Illinois Precision Shooters (CIPS), Bloomington, Illinois

4-H State Pistol Shoot- Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022 at CIPS, Bloomington, Illinois

Save The Date

Save the Date June 4, 2022 Summer Sizzle Shoot Chillicothe Sportsman's Club Hosted by Marshall-Putnam 4-H Shooting Sports Registration opens April 25, 2022– closes May 24, 2022

<https://extension.illinois.edu/blmp>

Our target is fun and we aim for a bullseye!



State 4-H Fishing Tournaments Ready to Go!

Easy to enter, easy to win! Learn rules and how to enter here:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-hooks-us-together-fishing-tournament>

Open to all current year 4-H members, but new rod & reel prizes **only** for 4-H members registered in the 4-H Sport fishing project for the 2021-2022 year.

Entries just require a phone, tape measure and then upload information to:

<https://go.illinois.edu/fish4H>

April – Crappie State 4-H Tournament

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament



4-H WELDING WORKSHOP

- Saturday, May 28
- 8AM - 4PM
- \$30
- Carl Sandburg College Center for Manufacturing Excellence in Galesburg

Space is limited

Register today
go.illinois.edu/Welding

4-H Welding Workshop

Join us Saturday, May 28 at Carl Sandburg College for our 4-H Welding Workshop. The workshop run from 8 am to 4 pm. Cost is \$30.

Dress Requirements: Long sleeve cotton shirt, Denim jeans, and work boots or closed toe shoes. The college will have some supplies available such as helmet and gloves, but if you have your own please bring them with you.

Participants must comply with the college's current COVID-19 protocols . Current guidelines are listed on the registration

go.illinois.edu/Welding

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

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS LEADERS WANTED!

Spend a fun day learning range management and leave ready to safely lead 4-H Shooting Sports activities in your county!

Contact your local U of I Extension office 4-H professional and they will process your registration. Certifications in Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol, Coordinator, and Hunting/Outdoor Skills (May 7 only) offered. One discipline per day/per person. All programs run 9am-6pm and are active range time instruction.



Sat., May 7, 2022 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL (central Illinois)

Sat., July 16, 2022 Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona, IL (N.W. Illinois)

Questions? Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu.

MCDONOUGH COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS SCHEDULE

Air Rifle (Ages 8-18)

Mondays, 6-7:30 pm

4-H Fairgrounds, 3022 W Jackson, Macomb, IL

May 2, June 9, July –No Shoot, August 1, September 5, October 3

Air Pistol (Ages 8-18)

Mondays, 6-7:30 pm

4-H Fairgrounds, 3022 W Jackson, Macomb, IL

May 9, June 13, July– No Shoot, August 8, September 12, October 10

.22 Small Bore (Ages 10-18)

Saturday, 9:30-11:00 am

Spring Lake Shooting Range, Macomb, IL

May 7, June 4, July - No Shoot, August 6, September 3, October 1

.22 Small Bore Pistol (Ages 10-18)

Saturday, 11:30-1:00 pm

Spring Lake Shooting Range, Macomb IL

May 7, June 4, July– No Shoot, August 6, September 3, October 1

Archery (Ages 8-18)

Wednesdays, 5:30-7:00 pm

Crooked Creek Outdoors, 1025 W Grant St, Macomb, IL

May 4, 11, 18, & 25, June 1, 8, & 15

Shotgun (Ages 10-18)

Saturday, 9:00-11:00 am

Argyle State Park Shooting Range, 700 Rd, Colchester, IL

May 21, June 18, July-No Shoot, August 20, September 17, October 15

If you have any questions about McDonough County 4-H Shooting, please feel free to contact the shooting sports coordinators:

Julian Inniss ~ jinniss@illinois.edu, 309-342-5108

Congratulations Graduates

8th Grade Graduates

Aaron Steward

Jacquelynne Rouse

Nolan Hoge

Elaina Broadwater

Janell Heaton

Roma Bride

Ethan Hoyt

Kenadie Webster

High School Graduates

Addyson Kruse

Emily Butler

Hayden Brint

Madison Steward

Sarah Riggins

Anna Curley

Hannah Brint

Henry Phippen

Olivia Raymond

Tucker Hall

Emilie Hickenbottom

Hannah Eden

Jacob Rouse

Rachel Hood

Thalia Adkins-Covert



Throw Back Fun

2012-2017



Federation Meeting

Any 4-H member in 8th grade or older interested in becoming a part of Federation is welcome! Please contact Beth for more information; 309/837-3939 or email chattert@illinois.edu.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, May 6th after the BBQ

May 2022

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| May 1 | Horse Ownership & Lease Papers Due |
| May 1 | YQCA yearly certification and QAEC (if not previously completed) due |
| May 6 | McDonough County BBQ |
| May 19 | Virtual Video Editing Workshop |
| May 28 | Warren County Livestock Judging Contest |
| June 7 | 4-H Fair Entries due |
| June 24 | 4-H Mini Fair |
| July 1 | Junior State Fair Livestock Entries Due |
| July 5-9 | McDonough County 4-H Fair |
| July 17-21 | Memorial Camp |
| June 20 | State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest: U of I Stock Pavilion |
| July 24 – 30 | Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show |

Happy Birthday To You, Happy Birthday To You.....

A very Happy Birthday to all the 4-H members born in May! We want to celebrate with you! Please stop into the Extension office anytime during this month to pick out a 4-H birthday gift and let us wish you a “Happy Birthday.”