



Henderson and Warren County 4-H Clover

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Dear 4-H Families and Friends,

Are you feeling lucky? I am! I love the month of March because it gives us another reason to wear our green attire proud and promote 4-H. As of **March 1**, you are no longer be able to make changes to the general show project selection online. As a reminder, you had to have your livestock project selected by **January 1**. Don't forget that you will need to have **attended four meetings, given a talk/demonstration, and completed YQCA or/or QAEC (livestock only)** to be able to enter into the 4-H fair.

If you are planning on showing sheep or goats at State Fair, you need to remember that the nomination procedure changed two years ago. Call your local extension office and ask your program coordinator about the new "self-nomination" process.

Yours in 4-H,

Shelby R. Carlson

Virtual 4-H Meeting Options

Some of you may not be comfortable meeting in person. Some clubs may not be able to offer a virtual option. That's okay! Our office will be offering a virtual meeting option if you are unable to meet with your club virtually or in person.



Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, March 16th at 5:30 p.m.** Email Shelby at srcarls2@illinois.edu to for more information or to get the meeting link.

4-H MEMORIAL CAMP

4-H Memorial Camp is currently working on summer programming plans for 2021. Different programming options are being developed to align with Phase 4 and Phase 5 of the Restore Illinois Plan. The camp website will be updated with information concerning both camping and summer employment as decisions are made.

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-summer-youth-camp>

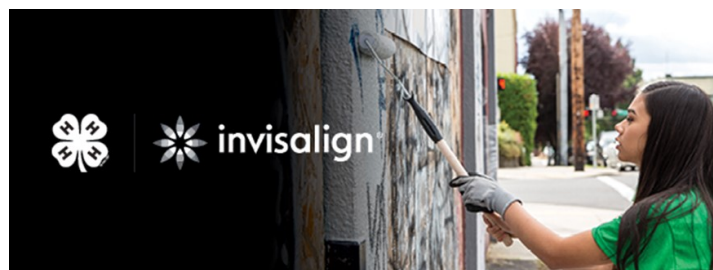
WE'RE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS!

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
- **Length of service:** Two years
- **Apply online:** go.illinois.edu/4HYLT. Look for the "application" at the bottom of the page.
- **Deadline:** March 15, 2021



The State Youth Leadership Team plans and implements the state Jr. Leadership Conference, plans and teaches the Speaking for Illinois 4-H program, and assists (behind the scenes and in front of the audience) for many other statewide events. Team members have the opportunity to 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.



CELEBRATE TEENS IN YOUR COMMUNITY WITH \$5K

We're proud to join the Invisalign® brand in their search for 100 deserving teens dedicated to making a difference in their communities to be recognized as Invisalign® ChangeMakers!

Each of these teens will be celebrated at a virtual event and awarded \$5,000 cash to fund their service projects or help support their educational or personal goals. Help us celebrate those making a difference by sharing with the teens and parents in your life!

All teens ages 13 – 19 can apply now through March 31, 2021 by sharing how they're creating positive change in their communities, schools and world.

Apply here: https://invischangemakers.smapply.io/prog/invisalign_changemakers/

I PLEDGE...MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY



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! **Registrations open on Wednesday, February 17, 2021.** Register at: <http://go.illinois.edu/illini4h>

TRAILBLAZER SCHOLARSHIP

Do you feel like a *Trailblazer*? Like you've paved the way for others around you? Be a part of the virtual Illini Summer Academies experience and get the opportunity to attend a college exploratory camp that you will never forget! The Trailblazer scholarship is open to first generation, low income youth in the state of Illinois. This is a full scholarship! **Apply by February 28, 2021**

Visit our website for more information: For more information, visit our website

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illini-summer-academies> or contact us at illini-4h@illinois.edu

PROJECT MANUALS

If you need to order a project manual, don't delay! Request any project manuals you may need at go.illinois.edu/pubsrequest.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHT: VIDEO

Who doesn't love kicking back with a bowl of popcorn to watch their favorite movie? Have you ever wanted to learn more about how that movie was made? You can learn about this and more in the 4-H video project! The video project exposes youth to filmmaking, digital storytelling, and videography through workshop modules that assist youth with making their own films. Explore filmmaking techniques, learn about video production, create a video or film, and upload a video to share with others.

YQCA

4-H members enrolled in dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats must completed their annual YQCA training either on-line at yqca.org (\$12) or at an in-person training (\$3) by **May 1**. See your email from Jill for details on how to register. In-person training is scheduled as follows and subject to change pending weather and COVID status. Details will be confirmed a week before the training.

An in-person training will be held :

Monday, March 29, 5:30-7 p.m. | Location TBD

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**.

LIVESTOCK OWNERSHIP/BIRTHDATE DEADLINES

As a reminder, 2021 Livestock Ownership and Birthdate Deadlines can be found online at <https://uofi.box.com/s/4715zghqcaaz3vgpbnwcqtqsm6n15bzo> .

4-H HALL OF FAME

Do you know someone in Warren and Henderson County who would deserve a nomination into the 4-H Hall of Fame? Please send your nomination to Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu.



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Be sure to watch our Facebook page for upcoming scholarship opportunities!

- The **Tri-County Cattleman's Association** scholarship is open to a high school senior from Henderson, McDonough, or Warren County planning to attend a 2 or 4 year college or university. For more details visit their website at <https://www.tricountycattlemen.com/scholarships>.



CAREER EXPLORATION AGRICULTURE

JOIN A PANEL OF PROFESSIONALS
TO LEARN ABOUT AGRICULTURE
CAREER PATHWAYS!



Register for one or all sessions at:

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

Submit questions ahead of time at:

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

Contact Shelby Carlson at
srcarls2@illinois.edu with questions.

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CAREER PATHWAYS

MARCH 2

Production Ag

MARCH 9

Ag Sales

MARCH 16

Ag Businesses

MARCH 30

Veterinary Medicine

APRIL 6

Ag Education/Outreach

2 P.M. – 3 P.M VIA ZOOM



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



MN 4-H BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPHY CHALLENGE

We're so excited to share this opportunity from Minnesota 4-H Photography!

Take part in a photo challenge open to Midwest youth in grades K-13! Explore the world in TONES for the Black & White Photography Challenge. In this challenge, we encourage you to play with shadows, look at texture, layer dark and light tones to create stunning black and white photographs. Submit up to three (3) black & white images by 11:59 p.m. on March 15. Find more information here:

<https://extension.umn.edu/blackwhitephotos>

PUBLIC PRESENTATION CONTEST

As in the past, to participate in this contest youth must be a 4-H member, and be registered in the Public Presentations project by *March 1st*. They also need to register for the contest using their county's [FairEntry](#) system between *April 1st* and *April 16th*. Below is the list of categories that you can choose from. 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 | 4-8 minutes**
- **Illustrated Speech | Self-written | Notes allowed | Illustrations Required | Individual | 4-8 minutes**
- **Original Works | Self-written | Notecards allowed | Props and Costumes Allowed |**
- **Individual or 2-Person Team | Manuscripts sent in Advance | 4-8 minutes**
- **Oral Interpretation | Published work | Props and Costumes Allowed | Individual or 2-Person Team | Manuscripts sent in Advance | 4-8 minutes**

We offer a "4-H Pledge" class to 4-H youth ages 8-10 years old as of 9/1/20. **Warren and Henderson members will attend the virtual McDonough County Contest.** Additional information will be sent to members enrolled in Public Speaking.

WARREN AND HENDERSON COUNTY FEDERATION

Federation plans to meet very soon and is welcoming new members! Any 4-H member in 6th grade or older interested in becoming a part of Federation, please email Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu. 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.



March 2021

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 YQCA 5:30-7pm | 30 | 31 | | | |

Dates to Remember

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| March 1 | May Food Action Summit Registrations Open |
| March 1 | General Project Deadline |
| March 4 | DEADLINE: Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training Registration |
| March 5-7 | 2021 Agri-Science Virtual Summit |
| March 6 | Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training (Virtual) |
| March 6 | Dairy Quiz Bowl |
| March 13 | Virtual Regional Hippology Contest |
| March 19 | Discovering STEM in ACES event registration deadline |
| March 13 | Virtual Regional Horse Bowl Contest |
| March 24 | Illini Summer Academies Registration Closes |
| March 29 | YQCA 5:30-7pm Location TBD |
| March 31 | Registrations close for the Food Action Summit |
| April 24 & 25 | Youth Livestock Conference |
| April 25 | True Leaders Service Day |
| May 1 | Horse Paperwork Due |
| May 1 | YQCA/QAEC Due |
| May 15th | Illinois 4-H Food Action Summit |
| May 20 | Virtual Volunteer Café Conversations |
| June 1 | Dog Paperwork Due |
| June 4 | State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest |
| June 5 | 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training at 4-H Memorial Camp |
| June 5 | State Public Speaking Contest |
| June 27 – July 1 | Illini Summer Academies (Virtual) |
| July 11- 23, 2021 | Discovering STEM in ACES is a two-week virtual experience |
| July 24 | 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training at Camp Gardner in Hull |
| July 25 – August 1 | ISF Junior Horse Show |
| July – August | In-Bound Summer 2021 |



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

A very Happy Birthday to all the 4-H members born in March!

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| Gillian Brandon | Backcountry Braves |
| Addison Burrell | Stronghurst Hustlers |
| Drew Cairns | Cameron Kids |
| Jaclynn Cairns | Cameron Kids |
| Logan Corzatt | Happy Hustlers |
| Alyson Derry | Willing Workers |
| Wyatt Dunbar | Cameron Kids |
| Madison Garner | Stronghurst Hustlers |
| Brynn Johnson | Raritan Explorers |
| Alexis Roessler | Stronghurst Hustlers |
| Keaton Ruebush | Terre Haute Superstars |
| Addyson Ryan | Willing Workers |
| Jackson Spence | Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons |
| Drake Vancil | Stronghurst Hustlers |

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."

Celebrate 4-H Volunteers

National Volunteer Week, April 18-24. 4-H volunteers are the caring adults who are empowering and preparing youth for success as 4-H members. They provide service to others and in their communities. Today's 4-H youth are engaged in diverse learning experiences where they practice skills employers want; grow and distribute food to communities in need; steward our natural resources; identify local issues and initiate positive change in local, state, national, and global issues; and they make and influence positive choices for healthy living. All of these things happen because of engaged volunteers in local communities.

National Volunteer Week is an opportunity to celebrate the impact of volunteer service and the power of volunteers to tackle society's greatest challenges, to build stronger communities and be a force that transforms the world. Each year, we shine a light on the people and causes that inspire us to serve, recognizing and thanking volunteers who lend their time, talent and voice to make a difference in their communities.

National Volunteer Week was established in 1974. Today, as people strive to lead lives that reflect their values, the expression of civic life has evolved. Whether online, at the office, or the local food bank; whether with a vote, a voice, or a wallet – doing good comes in many forms, and we recognize and celebrate them all.

In Henderson and Warren Counties, there are 22 volunteer leaders who inspire youth involved in local 4-H programs.