



Warren and Henderson 4-H Clover

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Hello 4-H Family and 4-H Friends:

Are you feeling lucky? I am! I love the month of March because it gives us another reason to wear our green attire and promote 4-H. As of March 1, you will no longer be able to make changes to the general show project selection on 4-H 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, give a talk/demonstration, and completed YQCA or QAEC (if your project requires it) to show in the 4-H show.

There are so many opportunities within this newsletter and my question to you is, "What are you waiting for?" Whether it is registering for a workshop, applying for a scholarship, or starting your 4-H projects, don't wait until tomorrow, get started today!

Yours in 4-H,

Shelby R. Carlson



Jill will be out of the office soon on maternity leave. In the meantime, please contact Shelby, 4-H Youth Development Educator, at srcarls2@illinois.edu for your 4-H needs. If you need immediate assistance, please call the Henderson office on Monday and Friday at 309-924-1163 or the Warren office on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 309-734-5161.



4-H FAMILY SPIRIT AWARD

4-H is a family affair for many! We want to encourage you, as a multi-generational 4-H family, to nominate your family for the Illinois 4-H Family Spirit Award.

Here is a link to our website that outlines specific requirements for the award: 4hfoundation.illinois.edu/content/family-spirit-award

Please contact us with any questions. **The deadline to apply for the Family Spirit award is May 1, 2022.** We look forward to hearing from you and reading about your family's 4-H story!

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Minnesota 4-H Photography is excited to offer a multi-state photo contest to youth in grades K-13.

In the "Hit Me with Your Best Shot" 4-H photo contest, youth are encouraged to select their best photo and tell the committee why it's special to them. Submit one (1) image (with no or minimal editing) with up to three sentences on why it's important to you by 11:59 p.m. on March 31, 2022. Find more information here:

extension.umn.edu/event/hit-me-your-best-shot-4-h-photo-contest

Photos due
11:59 p.m. on
March 31, 2022

"Hit Me with Your Best Shot"
4-H Photo Contest

Register at: <https://z.umn.edu/BestShotPhotoContest>
Info: <https://extension.umn.edu/event/hit-me-your-best-shot-4-h-photo-contest>
Questions? Email fourhphoto@umn.edu

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NATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

4-H YOUTH IN ACTION

Applications are now OPEN for the 2023 #4HYouthinAction Awards! Now is the chance for 4-H'ers ages 15-19 to tell their 4-H story of impact, leadership, and purpose.

Four selected recipients will:

- 👛 earn a \$5K scholarship
- 📣 serve as a national youth spokesperson
- ...and much more!

Learn more about the awards, application process, and apply! bit.ly/3FgUIb0

SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE

The 2022 Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award Application opens on January 18.

National 4-H Council is pleased to announce that the 2022 Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award application will open on January 18th. The National 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award recognizes 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism as both an opportunity and a privilege.

The Deadline to apply is March 18. grants.4-h.org/index.do

I PLEDGE...MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY



JOANN HEARTS 4-H

Every dollar makes a difference in helping a young person find their SPARK.

February 1 – April 30, visit a local @JOANN store and you can invest in a young person by donating to @4-H. joann.com/4-H/ #JOANNhearts4H

Get your @4-H Rewards Card today! Stop by a local @JOANN store now to sign up for free and receive 15% off your purchases. It's a great way to shop with purpose & give back to 4-H! joann.com/4-H/

CAN YOU HELP?

We are currently looking for Judges and Volunteers for the State Public Speaking Contest on April 30 at Parkland College in Champaign.

Registration for Illinois 4-H State Public Speaking Volunteers & Judges:
go.illinois.edu/4hpublicspeakingvolunteer

ILLINOIS STATE 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Types of Volunteers needed:

- **Judge (Types of Speeches – Formal, Illustrated, Original Works, Oral Interpretation)**
- **Assistant to the Judge** – assist the judge with scoresheets, time keeping, etc.
- **Door Monitor** - Assist with opening/closing speaking room doors at appropriate times and keep track of room schedule.
- **Registration Table** - Assist with check-in of participants. Escort participants to the room where they will speak.

If you have questions please contact us:

Cindy Ogwal, College & Career Readiness Specialist, State Public Speaking Contest Director: cowusu@illinois.edu
 Carla Blue, State 4-H Events, blue1@illinois.edu, 217-244-6916.



4-H INTERNATIONAL

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 6-8th grade. The club meets once a week, March - May. There are three time options to choose what works best for any schedule: Saturdays at 8AM, Mondays at 8 a.m. also Tuesday at 9 a.m. or 4 p.m.

*No language or previous experience required.

Please have the registration submitted by March 18. go.illinois.edu/globalclub
 Send questions to ehugh2@illinois.edu

I PLEDGE...MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE

HOST AN INTERNATIONAL YOUTH THIS SUMMER- SIGN UP SOON AS SPOTS ARE LIMITED

International students come to IL each summer and stay with a host family for about 4 weeks. Host a Japanese or South Korean youth this summer through States' 4-H International! Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly learn a new language, all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country, too! Families are needed for July 23 through August 18 (tentative dates). Applications are accepted until all placements are made. There is no cost for this program.

Students are matched with a host sibling by age gender and interests so families hosting, must have a child between 12-18 years of age.

Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process, as well as student availability and personality compatibility.

For more information or to apply, visit: www.states4hexchange.org.

Find us on Facebook @ [facebook.com/illinois4hexchange](https://www.facebook.com/illinois4hexchange) or contact Illinois S4-H Coordinators:

Miriam Rosenbohm @ rosenbohm07@comcast.net or Elisha Hughes @ ehugh2@illinois.edu.

GETTING READY FOR THE FAIR 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**. The Warren and Henderson County in person trainings have already been held. If you did not attend one of those trainings, please plan to take your training online at yqca.org by May 1.

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**.

A reminder will be sent to those who have not completed their training closer to the deadline.

2022 STATE FAIR JUNIOR LIVESTOCK REQUIREMENTS

Don't get left out of the show ring because your animal is too old or too young. The 2022 Ownership and Birthdate Deadlines are posted online @

extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-henderson-county

extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-warren-county

Click on "Fairs and Shows" at the bottom of the page. Then choose "2022 Livestock Ownership Deadline".

4-H FAIR PREMIUM CHECKS

The 2021 4-H fair premium checks will be sent out soon . You earned the money by showing projects at the 2021 Fair! Please make sure to cash them as soon as possible. This helps us a great deal with our paperwork.



HERE'S HELP TO PAY FOR COLLEGE

- **COMPEER SCHOLARSHIPS**

Compeer Financial believes in a strong future for agriculture and rural America. Compeer Financials' High School Senior Scholarship Program awards \$1,500 scholarships to students based on a combination of academic achievement, agricultural and community youth organization involvement and essay. Application and information can be found at:

www.compeer.com/investing-in-rural-communities/giving-back/scholarships/high-school-senior-scholarships

- **WARREN AND HENDERSON COUNTY 4-H COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**

Members eligible for this scholarship will receive an application via mail from the Extension office. Deadline May 2.

- **TRI COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Application and scholarship details are available at www.tricountycattlemen.com/scholarships

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Our day at the State Fair

Mark your calendars! Warren and Henderson County's day to exhibit General Show projects at the Illinois State Fair is Friday, August 12. To help plan ahead we are sharing that parking passes for the State Fair will **NOT** be available to purchase ahead of time in our offices. This is to help mainstream the parking process on the fairgrounds.

Henderson and Warren County Fairs

We are currently finalizing the details for the 2022 Warren and Henderson County Fair Books. The plan is to have them in your hands at your March 4-H Club Meeting. We want to help you plan ahead incase our 4-H families need to request time off of work or want to invite family and friends to the fair. Please mark these dates on you calendar(s):

- Warren | July 19-21
- Warren General Show, Dog and Cat Care, Cloverbud | June 25
- Henderson | July 24-30

CHANGES IN FAIR PROJECTS

The following changes are coming to the General Show. There will be more details in your 2022 Fair Book.

Animal Science ~ Animal science will be broken into two classes based on number of years in project. Animal Science 1 will be for youth enrolled in this project 1-2 years. Animal Science 2 will be for youth enrolled in this project for 3 or more years.

Food & Nutrition ~ Cooking 101, 201, 301 and 401 will now have additional classes. You will be able to enter in each class under the project level you enrolled in.



NOTE DATE CHANGE

(Program moved from February to March)

Special Workshop - Intro to 4-H Air Rifle Competitions

New Date: March 19, 2022 Take your existing 4-H air rifle club to a new level!

Competition training for 4-H Rifle Club leaders and up to three 4-H Club members

10 a.m.—5 p.m. at Central Illinois Precision Shooters in Bloomington, IL.

Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu for flyer and/or register at: go.illinois.edu/4HAirRifleTraining

2022 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS ADULT VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION TRAININGS

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.

Saturday, March 26, 2022	Tombstone Range, Marion, IL (Southern Illinois)
Saturday, May 7, 2022	4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL (Central Illinois)
Saturday, July 16, 2022	Bi-State Sportsman’s Club, Colona, IL (N.W. Illinois)

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

GET YOUR TACKLE READY -

2022 4-H Sport Fishing Virtual Monthly Challenges Coming Soon!

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. [Link to tournament details published in March!](#)

April – Crappie State 4-H Tournament

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

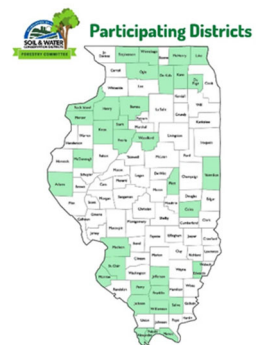
June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament

Hint: *Sign up for 4-H Sport fishing project now*, and begin preparing for crappie contest in April by going here to begin learning about crappie: www.ifishillinois.org/species/CRP.php

PLANTING DATES ARE BEING PLANNED FOR APRIL 2, APRIL 9, or APRIL 16!

Hands-on community service, conservation, and environmental education are key components the 4-H Green Communities Tree Program happening this spring in 31 counties throughout Illinois.

Illinois 4-H is partnering with the Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts Forestry Committee to address the decline of native oak savannas by providing 25 oak seedlings (in containers) to these counties.



View the link below for work days in McDonough and Knox County . Workdays will be in late March-early April to plant these trees together on a public space of approximately ½ acre in your county. Resources will be posted here:

4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-green-communities-tree-program

ILLINOIS RIVER WATCH NETWORK

Illinois River Watch has 15 training sessions set up for March and April each in a different county in Illinois. To learn more, visit their official website at: www.ngrrec.org/Riverwatch/ This is a tremendous opportunity become an aquatic citizen scientist! Ask for the 4-H discount off their regular fee. A great, long lasting club activity!

Back by
popular Demand!

19th Annual



4-H DAY WITH THE *Cardinals*

4-H members, alumni, family, and friends are invited to join University of Illinois Extension in partnership with University of Missouri Extension for a (hopeful) Cardinal win against the San Francisco Giants!



May 14

1:15PM

\$25/ticket

*All sales final

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 1 @ 11:59PM

- Participate in the parade on field prior to the game.
- Shirt included in ticket price.
- Additional raffle tickets available for \$1.00. 1st prize is to throw out the first pitch (4-H members only). Additional prizes include tickets to a future game and autographed baseballs (no exclusions for additional prizes.)

Register here: <https://go.illinois.edu/4HCardinals2022>

*Please note - groups that wish to *sit together* **MUST** submit one order.

TICKETS AND T-SHIRTS WILL BE MAILED OUT THE LAST WEEK OF APRIL!

Ticket/t-shirt questions? Contact *Rhonda Shafer* at shaferr@missouri.edu

Parade/raffle questions? Contact *Dave Hileman* at hilemand@missouri.edu



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

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lucy-Ann Broadwater	Keaton Ruebush
Drew Cairns	Addyson Ryan
Jaclynn Cairns	Paxton Ryan
Logan Corzatt	Justine Schaley
Jon Day	Hayli Strange
Wyatt Dunbar	Drake Vancil
Madison Garner	Dan Horton
Faylynn Gillespie	
Brynn Johnson	
Zoe Morse-Burnett	

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Dates to Remember

*** All dates and times are tentative and subject to change. ***

March 1	DEADLINE: General Project Enrollment
March 16-17	Legislative Connection
March 19	Special Workshop - Intro to 4-H Air Rifle Competitions
March 26	Public Speaking Contest, McDonough County
April 16	Robotics Competition
April 23 & 24	State Horse Bowl, Hippology & Horse Speaking Contests
April 23	True Leaders day of service day
April 30	State Public Speaking
May 1	Horse Ownership & Lease Papers Due
May 1	YQCA yearly certification and QAEC (if not previously completed) due
May 28	Warren County Livestock Judging Contest
June 4	Henderson County BBQ
June 7	Warren County BBQ
May 27	Warren General Show/Dog and Cat Fair Entries due
June 17	Warren Livestock Fair Entries due
June 24	4-H Mini Fair in McDonough County
June 24	Henderson Fair Entries due
June 25	Warren County General Show, Dog & Cat Care, Cloverbud
July 1	Junior State Fair Livestock Entries Due
July 19-21	Warren County 4-H Fair
July 24-30	Henderson County 4-H Fair
July 24 – 30	Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show