

# Henderson and Warren County 4-H Clover

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#### November 2021

4-H Families and Friends:

Happy Thanksgiving 4-H Family! I am so thankful for all the 4-H members, volunteers, and families who make 4-H a fabulous organization. 4-H Online is open for you to re-enroll.

Directions on re-enrolling in 4-H Online can be found in your green folder or in the re-enrollment email. Still have questions? Reach out to Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu. Even though re-enrollment is due December 1, don't delay. Members who don't re-enroll by December 1<sup>st</sup> will not be able to show at the 2022 4-H Fair.

As you prepare to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday, consider what 4-H projects you could explore during this time. Volunteer to make the dinner rolls and try a new recipe from your cooking manual, help decorate using concepts of interior design, or even practice civic engagement by volunteering at a soup kitchen. The sky is the limit when you are in 4-H!

Again, have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Yours in 4-H,

Shelby R. Carlson

## 4-H Can Make a Difference

Our clubs do an amazing job helping others in the community! This is a very busy time for community service and every extra helping hand counts. COVID has presented some unique challenges to our 4-H clubs but everyone is rising to the occasion. Please keep us in the loop of any projects you have planned this season so we can help get the word out. You can do so by emailing Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu.

# **Native American Heritage Month**

Every November we celebrate the history, heritage, traditions, and culture of Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians. Stay tuned for ideas on how you and your club can help celebrate this month!





## **Save the Date**

Save the date! The State Public Speaking Contest will be held on April 30, 2022. Our local contest will be held at the end of March, date TBA.

# **Project: Child Development**

Explore careers in the child development field while you learn best practices for caring and working with children.

In this project, you will grow your understanding of how kids grow while you learn safe ways to care for children, including making appropriate games and toys to engage youth of different ages.

Ready to start exploring?
Head to go.illinois.edu/childdevelopment4-H





# Collegiate 4-H at WIU!

Illinois 4-H doesn't stop at the county level! We want to help prepare you for the future! Join the Collegiate 4-H chapter at Western Illinois University to build your professional development portfolio, build leadership skills and continue to give back to others through community service.

If you know any WIU students that would be interested, please have them contact Beth Chatterton for meeting details at chattert@illinois.edu. Follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/wiuilcollegiate4h.

#### I PLEDGE...MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY

#### **Unit-Wide Policies**

It is important for you to either review the Unit-Wide policies or become familiar with them. Since we are beginning the new 4-H year, we want everyone to have a copy of the unit-wide policies for 4-H. We are trying to keep the deadlines consistent so, it is easier for everyone to remember the dates. If a **deadline** lands on a weekend the paperwork needs to be turned into the drop box on Monday prior to 7:59 a.m.

- October 15<sup>th</sup> New members must turn in the Lifetime Risk Form and emergency medical form into the
  office or to your 4-H leader. Returning members, please turn your emergency medical form in to your
  leader.
- December 1<sup>st</sup>- Re-enrollment deadline. The step by step guide will be emailed to you once 4-H Online opens for re-enrollment. If you were a member last year, and you miss the December 1, 2021
- re-enrollment deadline, you will not be eligible to participate in the 2022 4-H shows at the fair.
- The \$20 program fee is required. We will invoice your 4-H clubs; work with them on your 4-H Club's payment arrangement.
- Members will need to attend at least four meetings a year to be eligible to participate in your county's
   4-H fair. You have to be physically present at the 4-H meeting or logged in and attending via a Zoom option. Excused absences do not count as attending.
- At minimum members must complete a talk or demonstration. However, clubs may require both.
- Secretaries are required to send attendance sheets monthly after their meeting to the Extension Office.
  This can be by email, scanned, mailed, or dropped off. We ask that you use the online Secretary book;
  you can either save it electronically or print it from your computer. We ask 4-H Leaders to review your
  secretary attendance sheet monthly prior to the office receiving them monthly.
- Treasurers need to make sure they are **balancing accounts monthly** and providing reports during each meeting. Also, make sure you are using the required online form. For the new 2021-2022 4-H year, Treasurers need to start with the ending balance of the prior 4-H year fiscal report.
- January 1 All Livestock Project enrollment deadline (Cat, Cattle, Chicken, Dog, Goat, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit, and Sheep). This is the last date you may add ANY livestock project and still be eligible to show that project at the county 4-H fair. Again, you may add this in 4-H online. We will know when you add past the January 1<sup>st</sup> date.
- March 1 General Project enrollment deadline. This is the last date you may add a general project and still be eligible to show that project at the county 4-H fair. Remember that you already turned in your project enrollment when you re-enrolled in 4-H Online. However, if you need to add a general show project you may do so before this deadline. This is where you tell us what projects you want to learn more about!
- May 1- Horse project member's ownership/lease paperwork and pictures papers due to the office.
- May 1 Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) yearly certification is required of all livestock project members exhibiting cattle, sheep, swine, and goats. For cats, dogs, rabbits, poultry and horses, QAEC will still be required. If you plan to show livestock at the county and/or state fair, this is now a state requirement. Ask your local extension office about ways to complete this training online or in person.
- 4 Weeks Before Fair -Entries are due online by 11:59 p.m in FairEntry at fairentry.com. Please keep in mind that staff cannot help you after hours that day. It is suggested that you have the entries completed online prior to office closing at 4:00 p.m. that day. Just because you enroll in a project doesn't mean you are automatically entered in the fair. Late entries will not be accepted. Please make sure you complete your online entries. This is where you tell us what projects you plan to bring to the fair. Watch the newsletter and the 4-H Facebook page for dates where you can stop in and get help with entries.

#### What is Federation?

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 Henderson and Warren Counties. 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. Any 4-H member in Henderson and Warren Counties in 6th grade or older interested in becoming a part of Federation, should email Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu or call the office.

#### Our upcoming events include:

#### **Stronghurst Christmas Open House**

Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup> | 5-7pm

We will be set up in H&H Feed with a craft, game and 4-H resources.

#### Christmas on the Square in Monmouth

Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> | 5-8pm

We will be set up in the Monmouth Library with a craft, game and 4-H resources.

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**National 4-H Week was a success!** Congratulations to the Willing Workers and Raritan Explorers 4-H Clubs for winning the Window Display Contest this year. Check out the awesome displays our clubs created!



# **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.
- Let your program coordinator reach out to the 4-H Foundation.
- 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.

# **Ordering your 4-H Project Manuals**

Don't forget to order your manuals using the link - go.illinois.edu/OrderProjectManuals Manuals ordered by November 1st will be available at your December meeting.

# 4-H Online is Open

The 4-H enrollment system is now open! Please go to the link below to complete your family's enrollment for the 2021-2022 4-H year: il.4honline.com.

If you need assistance with remembering the email used for your account or resetting your password please let the office know.



# **Inclusive Leadership SPIN 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 play a role in our communities and the world. We hope that you will join us for this new club! This is a great way to add to the leadership section of your awards applications.

# **Mark Your Calendars for 4-H Workshops**

# Officer & Leadership Training

Do you know what the job is of an officer in your 4-H club? Do you know how to write the minutes? The order of business? When can you write a check and when you cannot? Do you feel comfortable being a leader? If you are a club officer or a club member and the answer to any of these is no, you need to attend this workshop. There is no cost to attend. Open to all 4-H members and leaders in Henderson, Knox, McDonough, and Warren Counties. Training will be **November 8 from 5-7 p.m.** at the Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau Auditorium, 1000 N Main, Monmouth, IL.

Register online at go.illinois.edu/ClubLeadership

# **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 **November 13 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** at the 4-H Center Auditorium in Macomb, 3022 W. Jackson. This workshop is open for young people ages 8-18 and is <u>free of charge</u>. 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

# **Sewing Workshop**

Join us to learn the basics of sewing, "One Stitch at a Time." This <u>free</u> workshop is open to beginner sewers, ages 8-18. 4-H membership is not required to attend. Beginning sewing skills will be taught so you can create your own masterpiece for the 4-H fair! Participants under 10 years old will need to be accompanied by an adult. The workshop will be held on **Saturday, December 11 from 9-10:30 a.m.** at the Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau Auditorium, 1000 N Main, Monmouth, IL.

Register online at go.illinois.edu/sewing

# **Gift Wrapping Workshop**

Join us for a fun afternoon of learning how to wrap like a pro and even make a bow! This <u>free</u> workshop will be held **December 20 from 4–5 p.m.** at the 4-H Center in Macomb, 3022 W. Jackson. Topics covered include; how to wrap a boxed gift, how to problem solve when it's an odd-shaped gift, when to use a gift bag, how to make a bow, and how to add a special twist to your gift wrap. Your friends and family will be amazed at your wrapping skills this season. Youth will need to bring 1 item to wrap. Wrapping supplies will be included at the workshop.

Register online at go.illinois.edu/GiftWrap

#### **DIY Code & Build**

Have you ever wanted to know just what makes your video game controller work? Wished you could design a way to make your drawings speak to you? Explore the technology behind these ideas at the DIY Code and Build Workshop. Using Scratch and Makey Makey technology, members will be able to experience the magic of computer science at the tips of their fingers. The workshop will be held on **December 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** at the Warren–Henderson Farm Bureau Auditorium, 1000 N Main, Monmouth. Free of charge and lunch will be provided.

Register online at go.illinois.edu/DIYCodeAndBuild



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

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



Aidric Carlson Cameron Kids Ellison Johnson Raritan Explorers

Jolie Johnson Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons Collin Leary Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons Rachel Leary Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons

James Mayfield STEM Exploration

Ella McGinity

Brooklyn Miller

Kaden Russell

Stein Exploitation

Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons

Stronghurst Hustlers

Willing Workers

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."

#### **Dates to Remember**

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

November 1 **DEADLINE:** Summer 2022 Outbound Applications Due

November 8 Officer & Leadership Training

November 13 Poultry Workshop

November 25 & 26 Office closed for Thanksgiving

December 1 **DEADLINE**: Re-enrollment on 4-H Online

December 11 Sewing Workshop

December 20 Gift Wrapping Workshop

December 21 DIY Code & Build Workshop

January 1 **DEADLINE**: Livestock Project enrollment

March 1 **DEADLINE:** General Project Enrollment

May 1 YQCA yearly certification and QAEC (if not previously completed) due

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