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### 4-H Happenings

<b>October 11</b>	<b>Federation Meeting</b>
<b>October 13</b>	<b>Russell Community Club Meeting</b>
<b>October 18</b>	<b>Crafts and Critters Club Meeting</b>
<b>October 18-29</b>	<b>Registration for 4-H in Bag</b>
<b>October 25</b>	<b>Clever Clovers Club Meeting</b>
<b>November 3, 10, 17, 24</b>	<b>Cloverbud Fall Fun</b>
<b>November 18</b>	<b>4-H In a Bag Live</b>
<b>November 25 &amp; 26</b>	<b>Office Closed</b>

### Tips for the New 4-H Year

- New year started September 1, 2021. (4-H members must be 8 as of September 1, 2021 and have not reached their 19 birthday as of September 1, 2021. Cloverbud members must be 5 as of September 1, 2021 and have not reached their 8 birthday as of September 1, 2021.)
- 4-H Online registration is now open. (Same system as last year)
- There will be a Program Fee of \$20 for all youth enrolling in 4-H. (If you need assistance please contact Samantha)
- New this year you must order your project books by May 1, 2022 for the office to pay for them. If you order after this date the office will give you a link that you can order your child's project books.

If you have any questions please reach out to Samantha Gaither.

## Federation News

Monday, October 11

12 p.m. Via Zoom

Federation will hold their next meeting on Monday, October 11 at 12 p.m. via zoom. We will be planning our holiday workshop and electing officers. If you are in the 8th grade or older and would like to join Federation, now is the time. Contact Samantha for more information. Zoom link will be sent by email to all youth eligible to be in Federation. Hope to see many new faces.

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### 4-H Online 2.0

4-H Online has rolled over and is now ready for you to register for 4-H. Just a reminder that you must enter your projects every year. There is a \$20 program fee that you can pay with credit card or via check. Your child will not be marked approved until we have received payment. If you are needing project books you need to order those through a Google Document that will be emailed to you. All orders must be placed by May 1, 2022 for the office to pay for project books. If orders are made after this date the office will give you a link to purchase your child's project books from. Re-enrollment deadline is December 1 and new members deadline is March 1, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact Samantha Gaither via email [sgaither@illinois.edu](mailto:sgaither@illinois.edu)



### Pumpkin Carving Contest

During the month of October we will be holding a Pumpkin Carving Contest. There will be a post on Facebook about the contest and we ask that you post a picture of your pumpkin to that thread. We will ask others to like the pictures and the pumpkin with the most likes on November 1 will be our winner.

We will announce the winner in November. The prize will be 4-H apparel from Shop 4-H.

#### Contest Rules:

- Must be created by the 4-H or Cloverbud member.
- When posting on FB, please tell what club you belong to.



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## 4-H in a Bag is Back!

### DNA Extraction Lab

Have you ever wanted to visualize one of the most important molecules on the planet? Join us as we explore what DNA is and how you will even be able to view your own!

Registration opens **October 18** and closes **October 29**. Please register at <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=24265>

You will pick up your supplies at the office on **Thursday, November 11**. We will be going live on the Unit Facebook Page (Illinois Extension– Edwards, Lawrence, Richland, Wabash and Wayne Counties) on **Thursday, November 18 at 5 p.m.**

### Cloverbud Fall Fun

We will be hosting some Fall Fun activities for Cloverbuds in porch pickups . Every Wednesday in November at 5 p.m. we will have a fun fall activity to do together via Facebook Live. Please register your child for the Cloverbud Fall Fun and supplies for these activities will be ready for pickup the Friday before the live event.

Sneak peek at what you will be doing:

November 3— Apples & Spice Magnets

November 10– Pumpkin Snack Pack

November 17– Feathered-Friends Seed Feeder

November 24– Leafy Napkin Ring

Each Facebook live will be on 4-H Lawrence County Illinois at 5 p.m. each Wednesday in November.

### Extension office Closed

The office will be closed on Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26 for Thanksgiving.

# October Meetings

- ◆ **October 13– Russell Community Club** at 6.30 PM at FS Building in Birds. For more information contact Deb Weger 618-928-2303, Julie Decker 618-928-2432, or Jaeleigh Waller 812-881-9241
- ◆ **October 18– Crafts and Critters** at 6:45 PM at Bridgeport First United Methodist Church. Contact Deetta Gaither for more information at 812-830-8875.
- ◆ **October 25– Clever Clovers** at 6:30 PM at the Lawrence County Fairgrounds. For more information contact Rita Palmer at 618-843-7138.

**Please contact your leader about your club meeting:**

**Adventure Club**– Steven or Carrie Potts at 618-486-5815.

**Lucky Clovers**– Angle Meek 812-890-1269

**Show and Grow**– Lindsy Tiffany 618-263-8327

**Trailblazers**– Mandy Loveland 618-945-8089, Michal Hendy 812-890-2474

## Looking for a Robotics Leader

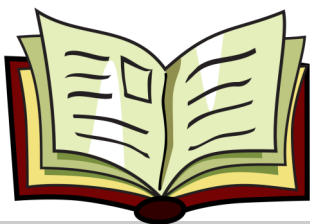
Do you like to tinker with robotics? Are you interested in STEM activities? If so, do we have a fit for you! We are currently looking for a volunteer leader for our STEAMbot SPIN Club. The club has materials, they just need a leader. If you are interested, please contact Samantha Gaither via email at [sgaither@illinois.edu](mailto:sgaither@illinois.edu).

## Premium Check Information

We are working on the 2021 Premium Checks so that we can get them to you faster. If your child will be receiving \$100 or more on their 2021 Premium Check we need some information from you. A letter was sent on September 30th to youth who fit the above stated requirement. If you received a letter from our office, please fill it out and return it as soon as possible. We cannot generate any checks until all the information is in.

## Pick your Project Guide Books

We have project guide books at the office if you would like to pick one up.



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