4-H FAMILY

NEWS

OCTOBER 2024





In honor of 4-H Week, we will collect non-perishable food, evaporated milk, paper plates, plastic cutlery, and aluminum foil to assist the Waterloo VFW with their collections for the Jefferson Barracks VA Medical Center. Please drop off items in the tub outside of the Extension office doors by **Nov. 3.**

2024-2025 4-H ENROLLMENT IS OPEN!

It's time to re-enroll in 4-H for the new year!

Please follow the directions in the Step-By-Step Guide:

https://go.illinois.edu/4HHowToReEnroll

OR, watch the Re-Enrollment Video Tutorial:

https://go.illinois.edu/4HReEnroll

All members and volunteers must re-enroll for the 2024-2025 4-H year.

As with any new year, we may experience glitches as initial enrollment begins.

If you have any problems with enrollment, please contact Kelly at kmbrandt@illinois.edu for assistance or consult the ZSuite Help Documentation within the program.

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Office Hours:

Monday- Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Closed Noon to 1:00 p.m. for lunch

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MONROE COUNTY 4-H SHIRTS FOR SALE!



The Monroe County 4-H Federation is selling 4-H attire as a fundraiser in partnership with the Monroe County Extension & 4-H Education Foundation.

Sizes available include:

Youth Small, Medium, Large & XL Adult Small, Medium, Large, XL, XXL & XXXL

T-shirts: \$15 Crewneck Sweatshirts: \$25 Hoodies: \$30

Checks or cash accepted. Checks can be made out to Monroe County 4-H Federation.







Shirts are available:

-At the Extension office M-F, 8-4:30 p.m. (closed 12-1) -October 5, 8:00-11:00 a.m. Monroe County Annex

WELCOME D'ANGELO YOUNG!

We warmly welcome D'Angelo Young, who works in the Waterloo office as an Office Support
Assistant!

D'Angelo brings over ten years of experience working closely with the community, including managing a roller-skating rink where he collaborated with schools, churches, and local organizations in St. Clair County and beyond.

He's excited to join us and is already a fantastic addition to our team.



BUTTERFLY FEST

The annual Butterfly Fest was held on September 7 at Baebler Educational Farm. Nearly 200 guests toured the farm and learned about butterflies and pollinators at educational booths and events while celebrating ten years of Baebler Educational Farm. Highlights included a pollinator walk, pollinator yoga, a pollinator costume contest, an entomology display, crafts, activities, and more!















SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024

ANYTIME BETWEEN 9-11AM MONROE COUNTY
ANNEX

901 Illinois Ave. Waterloo, IL 62298 QUESTIONS?

CONTACT KELLY AT (MBRANDT@ILLINOIS.EDU OR 618-939-3434



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GARDENBUDS

The 4-H Gardenbuds club had a great time learning all about gardening this summer! Meetings were filled with learning about planting, tending, and harvesting produce and flowers. They also learned about pollinators and birds, cooking with their produce, making nature crafts, and so much



















Baebler Educational Farm (4022 JJ Rd., Waterloo) Hot dogs, chips, s'mores & drinks provided.

OPEN TO YOUTH GRADES 8 & UP. (DO NOT NEED TO BE A CURRENT 4-H MEMBER TO JOIN)

Federation provides:

- Leadership Development
- **Team Building**
- Community Involvement
- **Event Planning**
- Socializing

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FUN, GAMES, & LUNCH INCLUDED

Information we will cover:

- Officer Roles
- Parliamentary Procedure
- Generating Ideas & Agenda Building
- Officer Roles
- Team Building
- Activities & Club Goals



Illinois Extension

4-H Officer Training

Friday, November 1, 2024 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Monroe County Annex Building

901 Illinois Ave. Waterloo, IL 62298

Learn YOUR role as a 4-H Officer and help make the best better! The University of Illinois Extension Office invites all club 4-H Officers to attend this training where you will strengthen your leadership skills.



Register TODAY at:

https://go.illinois.edu/4-HOfficerTraining-Waterloo



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Wednesday, November 13 3:15-5:00 p.m.



Monroe County Annex 901 Illinois Ave. Waterloo, IL



REGISTER NOW



https://go.illinois.edu/FallCooking

or call (618) 939-3434

Cost is \$5

Class limited to 20

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SUPPORTING MONROE COUNTY EXTENSION PROGRAMS

NOVEMBER 6

Over 16 years, your generous support for Harvest Night has made it possible to offer and fund:

- SCHOLARSHIPS
- BAEBLER EDUCATIONAL FARM
- MANY 4-H & YOUTH PROGRAMS
 - MASTER GARDENER &
 MASTER NATURALIST PROGRAMS

\$25/person

HECKER COMMUNITY CENTER DOORS OPEN: 5PM DINNER: 6PM

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1ST

HARVESTNIGHT.NET



HARVEST NIGHT [17]

NOVEMBER 16 / DOORS OPEN @ 5PM / DINNER @ 6PM

Questions, contact: 618.939.3434 or info@harvestnight.net

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HARVEST NIGHT CAKES AND MORE CAKES

Bakers are needed to make a delicious cake for Harvest Night on Saturday, November 16.

We need 50-layer cakes to serve the participants. Your help to provide a layer or bundt cake would be greatly appreciated!

The most popular varieties include German Chocolate, Red Velvet, Carrot, White with a filling, Angel food, white and chocolate, Italian Cream, Chocolate, Banana, and Oatmeal. It is great when the cake and icing are made homemade from your favorite recipe; however, cake mixes and frosting will be available at the Extension Office for you to use.

Please contact Pam Jacobs at 618-604-3549 with questions and to let me know if you are willing to provide a cake. Cakes can be brought to the event held at the Hecker Community Center or brought to the Extension Office on Friday,

November 15, by 1 PM.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!







CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 1 4-H Enrollment begins

October 5
 4-H "Find Out," 9:00-11:00 a.m., Monroe County Annex front lawn

October 6-12 National 4-H Week

October 8 WJHS Science Club meetings begin

• October 10 6:00 p.m., Federation New Member Meeting, Baebler Edu. Farm

October 11 County Cloverbud Meetings begin

• November 1 10a.m.-12:00 p.m. Club Officer Training, Monroe County Annex

November 3
 6:30 p.m. 4-H Achievement Program, Monroe County Annex

November 13
 3:15-5:00 p.m., Holiday Cooking with Kids, Monroe County Annex

November 16
 5:00 p.m., Harvest Night Dinner Auction, Hecker Community Center

November 28-29 OFFICE CLOSED: Thanksgiving Holiday



What's going on with Illinois 4-H?

Find out here:

https://emails.illinois.edu/newsletter/42/1495356942.html



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