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# NEWSLETTER

Pope & Hardin County 4-H News and Events



**October 2022**

## 2022-23 Enrollment

Enrollment time is here! ZSUITES is almost up and ready for enrollment! We are all going to learn ZSUITES together. From what I have seen so far it looks to be a user friendly system. Be watching your email for the link to enroll in 4-H. I will also post on Facebook when enrollment is open. I must admit I am excited for the change and think this will be easier on everyone. Keep your eyes open for more detail!

### 4-H Award Night

#### Registration Needed!

Federation needs a head count for Awards Night to ensure they have enough hamburgers and hot dogs for everyone. Please use the link below to sign your family up by October 12th.



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

**Congratulations September Contest Winner:**

**Remington Barnhill with a guess of 136!**

**The correct amount of crayons was 154!**

### First meeting of the year!

**Don't miss it!**

**Lots of information will be shared!**

**Sunday, October 16 at 2 PM**

**Dixon Springs Ag Center**

Officers will be voted in.

If you are thinking about being an officer and not sure what to expect of each position, see page 3 for more officer details.



### 4-H State Award

#### Applications

**Due October 14!**

All state Experience Award applications must be turned into the Extension office by October 14th.

Award application available at:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/participate/awards-scholarships/illinois-4-h-experience-award-individuals>

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# LOOK WHAT YOU CAN DO IN 4-H



## MONTHLY CONTEST

Each month Pope-Hardin County 4-H will offer a fun contest. All answers will have to be submitted through the link provided on that months contest. Monthly contest will be emailed and posted on Facebook. Winners will be notified by email and posted on Facebook.

## MONTHLY COMMUNITY SERVICE

Each month Pope-Hardin County 4-H will offer a community service opportunity. The community service opportunity will be emailed to all enrolled 4-H members and also posted on Facebook. A link will be provided for members to notify Kendra once the community service is completed for the month. This will help with completing your award application at the end of the 4-H year.

## PROJECT WORKSHOPS

Pope-Hardin County 4-H will offer a variety of workshops throughout the 4-H year. Some workshops will be county only and others will be multi-county workshops. All workshops will have a link attached for sign up. Sign up is important to insure there are enough attending to hold the workshop. Workshop notifications will be on Facebook and sent by email.

## ILLINOIS STATE 4-H OPPORTUNITIES

Illinois 4-H offers many opportunities at the state level. Follow the IL State 4-H Facebook page for updates on all state opportunities. Some opportunities will be shared on Pope-Hardin County 4-H Facebook page and listed in newsletters.

## OCTOBER CONTEST

Pumpkin decorating contest!  
Let's see your creative pumpkins!  
See page 4 for rules and entry form.



## OCTOBER COMMUNITY SERVICE

**Blessing Box Food Drive**—4-H is collecting food for the blessing box at the Dixon Springs Agricultural Center. You may drop non perishable items off at the Extension office or the main building at the Ag Center.

**Clover for Care**—Sell a clover for \$1 or any amount of donation. All proceeds will be used to purchase food for the local Food Pantry Thanksgiving Dinners. Clovers will be handed out at the October 16th meeting.

Register for community service at: [go.illinois.edu/phcs](http://go.illinois.edu/phcs)



# Have you thought about being an officer of your club?



## President:

- ◆ Preside over all regular and special meetings
- ◆ Represent your county when 4-H needs represented at special meetings in the county
- ◆ Appoint committees
- ◆ Learn parliamentary procedure

## Vice President:

- ◆ Act in the absence of the President
- ◆ Assist with committees as designated by the President

## Secretary

- ◆ Keeps an accurate record of all meetings
- ◆ Has minutes available when needed by Extension staff or Club Leader
- ◆ At each meeting, reads last meetings minutes
- ◆ Submits the completed 4-H Secretary book at the end of the 4-H year

## Treasurer

- ◆ Submits financial report each meeting
- ◆ Produce the completed 4-H Treasurer book at the end of the 4-H year
- ◆ Keep up with the clubs financials

## **A few reasons why you should become an officer of your club:**

Learn and practice leadership skills

Help guide the growth of your 4-H club and county 4-H program

You assist with fun and engaging events/activities



## **4-H Pumpkin Contest**

4-H in our county is an incredible experience. We need to let the public know that we are here, active, and excited for the new year! There's no better way to do this, than to make sure that our activities are front and center in our communities. With this in mind, all Pope and Hardin County 4-H members are invited to participate in a Pumpkin Contest this year! Contest guidelines are as follows:



1. Members may only enter one pumpkin.
2. Pumpkins should be 4-H audience appropriate.
3. Pumpkins must be decorated at home and brought to the Extension office completed.
4. Pumpkins should be delivered to the U of I Extension office on October 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>. Times for drop off are the hours of 8:30-4.
5. Pumpkins must be easy to transport.
6. Do not put your name on your pumpkin, place your entry form upside down under your pumpkin.
7. Pumpkins can be painted, decorated, "dressed up" or a combination of these. **CARVED PUMPKINS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
8. Categories include: Scariest, Funniest, and Most Creative. Age groups are Cloverbuds (5-7), Junior (8-12), and Senior (13-18). Age groups may be combined if not enough participants per age division.
9. **PUMPKINS MUST BE ORIGINAL (CREATED BY 4-H MEMBER). NO PUMPKINS BOUGHT PRE-PAINTED, CARVED OR ALREADY DECORATED WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

Pumpkins will be judged at the Golden Circle in Golconda at the Halloween Party. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Kendra Cook, Extension Program Coordinator at [klcook@illinois.edu](mailto:klcook@illinois.edu).

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## **ONE ENTRY PER 4-H MEMBER**

4-H Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Pumpkin: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Awards Night

Awards night will start at 6 PM with dinner. Hamburgers and Hotdogs will be provided by Federation. Each family is asked to bring a side dish and/or dessert. Water will be provided. Awards will start at 7 PM. Following awards will we will enjoy a movie on the lawn. Don't forget to bring your lawn chair. Feel free to bring snacks for your family to enjoy during the movie. Please be sure to register your family to ensure we have enough hamburgers and hotdogs.



Pope-Hardin County 4-H Federation Presents

# CLOVERS IN THE WILD



## AWARDS NIGHT



Saturday, October 14, 2022 @ 6 PM  
Dixon Springs Agricultural Center



Join in for a fun time celebrating the 2021-2022 4-H year! Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided by Federation. Families are asked to bring a side dish and/or a dessert. Bring a lawn chair and plan on staying for the fun event planned after the awards ceremony. To ensure we have enough food please register by October 12, 2022 by scanning the QR code or go to <https://go.illinois.edu/PHAwards>.



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Explore with 4-H

# HERON POND HIKE

SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 15, 2022  
AT 10 AM

SIGN UP BY  
OCTOBER 12, 2022

KLCOOK@ILLINOIS.EDU

sign up at: [go.illinos.edu/phhike](https://go.illinos.edu/phhike)



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## 4-H Hike

Join in for a fun adventure!  
Bronwyn Aly will be leading us on a new adventure at Heron Pond. Be sure to register by October 12, 2022!

Sign up at [go.illinois.edu/phhike](https://go.illinois.edu/phhike)



Come join us for  
a tour of  
**Angie Mayfield's  
Farm in Hardin  
County.**

**10/22/22  
3:00-5:00**



Angie has competed in the Snowy River race and has crossed the Grand Canyon on her mules. Angie has several mules, horses, and donkeys (including a gaited donkey used for breeding).

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING BY OCTOBER 20. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT RAEGAN SMITH OR KASSY SCATES.  
RAEGAN- SMITHGIRL997@GMAIL.COM  
KASSY- KSCATES@ILLINOIS.EDU

**This will be a kickoff for  
Horse Bowl & Hippology**

## Horse Lover Opportunities!

Do you have an interest in horses? Would you like to learn more about them? Then here are two opportunities for you! Pope-Hardin County 4-H has started a Horse/Mule/ Pony Club led by Angie Mayfield. She will be teaching youth about horses/ mules/ponies, taking youth on rides through the Shawnee Forest, and preparing them for the 4-H show in the Spring. You do not have to own a horse to be a part of this club.

The second opportunity for you is being a part of the unit Horse Bowl & Hippology club. This club is all about learning everything there is to know about horses and competing in the Regional Horse Bowl & Hippology contest. If you place well in the Regional contest you move on to the state contest. 4-H Alumni Raegan Smith is leading this club. She has been a part of Horse Bowl and Hippology for many years as a 4-H member and is looking forward to the new year as a leader.

KOSC PRESENTS

## Equine Wellness Day & Vendor Event

**Saturday, Oct. 29, 2022**



**9 am - 3 pm**



King City Saddle Club,  
13883 E. Idlewood Rd., Mt. Vernon, IL

**Presentations & Demos by:**

Dr. Travis Beasley, DVM

Dr. Kiley Mettendorf, DVM & Equine  
Chiropractor

Kim Ostertag- Third Rock Therapy

April Schaeffer- Schaeffer Bodyworks

Emily McAfee- Squared Up Equine

Taylor Dashiell- Taylor'd Equine Services

And special entertaining demos by  
Joyce Norris, her Border Collie Sprite,  
and a few duck friends!

**Huge Variety of Vendors \* Used Tack Swap  
Food Stand \* Children's Activities**

To find out about becoming a vendor, or participating in the used tack swap,  
please call/text Randa Rowland at 618-237-2499.  
Visit the King City Saddle Club Facebook page for more event details!

*The Horse Bowl &  
Hippology group will  
be taking a field trip  
to Mt. Vernon, IL.*

*If you are interested in coming  
let us know by October 27. For  
more information contact  
Raegan Smith or Kassy Scates.*

*Raegan- smithgirl997@gmail.com  
Kassy- kscates@illinois.edu*

**NATIONAL**  
**4-H SPIRIT WEEK**

**SUNDAY** Service Project Sunday  
**MONDAY** Member Monday  
**TUESDAY** Time Machine Tuesday  
**WEDNESDAY** Why 4-H Wednesday  
**THURSDAY** Thankful Thursday  
**FRIDAY** Favorite Project Friday  
**SATURDAY** Spirit Saturday

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**UNIT 24**  
**COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT**

**T-SHIRT BAG WORKSHOP**

**22 OCT 2022** 9:00-11:00

White County Extension Office  
 1715 College Ave. Carmi, IL 62821

**TO DO LIST**

- Bring T-shirts
- Bring Scissors
- Take home/Donate T-Shirt Bags

**WHERE THEY ARE GOING**

Operation Christmas Child  
 Shoe-box Ministry

**Samaritan's Purse**  
**OPERATION Christmas Child**

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November 5, 2022 | 9am-Noon  
 Animal Sciences Lab | Champaign, IL

Livestock Skillathon  
 Contest & Workshop

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More details and registration information available at [go.illinois.edu/LivestockSkillathon](http://go.illinois.edu/LivestockSkillathon)

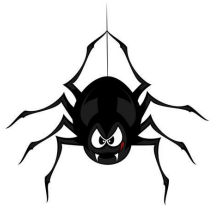


YOU ARE INVITED FOR A SPOOKTACULAR TIME!

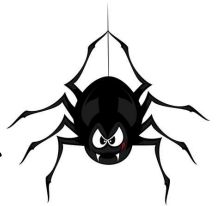
# TRICK OR TREAT



6-8 PM



AT DIXON SPRINGS AG CENTER



POPE-HARDIN COUNTY 4-H FEDERATION HAS TEAMED UP WITH POPE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS, LOCAL BUSINESSES, AND OTHERS TO PROVIDE A SAFE AND FUN TRICK OR TREATING OPPORTUNITY! GET THOSE COSTUMES ON AND COME JOIN THE FUN!

No time for supper—No worries!

4-H Federation Fundraiser - under the pavilion

6-8 PM or sold out

Chili, Hot Dogs, Chips, & Drinks

Haunted Walk \$5 person from 6-9 PM



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Join Pope-Hardin County 4-H Federation  
For a Haunting Good Time  
at

DIXON SPRINGS

AGRICULTURAL CENTER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2022 6-9 PM

for a

HAUNTED WALK

\$5 PER PERSON

Enjoy supper before your walk

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6-8 OR SOLD OUT

All proceeds from the evening go to Pope-Hardin County  
4-H Federation to continue providing learning opportunities  
for youth in Pope & Hardin counties.



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## Pope-Hardin County 4-H Federation updates:



Federation is a leadership club open to all 4-H members in 8th grade and up. This club plans and leads fun events and activities for Pope and Hardin Counties. They are currently in the process of planning Awards Night. Next on the agenda is the Halloween Event! The Halloween Event will include a chili and hot dog supper, trick or treating, and haunted walk. All 4-H members are welcome to attend Federation meetings at any time. They are always welcome to guest and new ideas. Reach out to any Federation member for more details or email Kendra.

### **HALLOWEEN EVENT HELP WANTED!**

Looking for local churches, businesses, clubs, families, or anyone that is interested in setting up a table for the trick or treat at the Federation Halloween Event! Also looking for anyone that would like to help with a haunted walk.....If you know anyone that would be willing to help please have them contact Kendra at [klcook@illinois.edu](mailto:klcook@illinois.edu).

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

October 1-2	Camp Shawnee Whitetail
October 2-8	National 4-H Week
October 14	Awards Night
October 15	4-H Hike
October 16	Clover Crew Club Meeting
October 22	Horse/Mule/Pony Club Meeting
October 28	Federation Halloween Event



I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking, my HEART to greater loyalty, my HANDS to larger service, my HEALTH to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world.