

White County 4-H News

February 2022



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Love is in the Air

February in 4-H world is filling up fast, just like everyone else's world!

Lots of important information is included in this newsletter like workshops, trainings, scholarships, grants for clubs and 4-H'ers, and important dates to remember.

This year the Support Committee is going to be having a half boneless pork loin sale once again. More information will be in the March newsletter!! Get the word out and let's make this a successful fundraiser!

Amy McCarty Extension Program Coordinator/4-H

Mark your calendars

March 2022

February 3	First Cloverbud Meeting 3:30-4:30 - Extension Office	Leather Workshop Series - March 7, 14, 21, and 28 March 1, 3, & 5 Hunter Safety Course			
	Federation - 5:30				
February 5	Cattle Weigh-in @ Fairgrounds @ 8 AM	March 3	Cloverbuds - 3:30-4:30 Federation - TBA		
February 17	Cloverbuds 3:30-4:30 - Ext. Office Awards/Highlights Workshop	March 10	Unit 24 4-H Trivia Night - 6:00 - Hamilton Co.		
	6:00 @ Extension Office at least one leader per club needs to be present along with 4-H members and parents!!	March 12	Unit 24 Bird House Woodworking Workshop Dixon Springs Ag Center Morning session - 10:00 Afternoon session - 1:00		
February 22	Virtual Parliamentary Procedure	March 17	Cloverbuds - 3:30 - 4:30		
February 25	Training 6:30-7:30 Cosmic Bowling @ Muddy - 6:00-8:00	March 19	Unit 24 Livestock Skill-a-thon & Judging More information in the newsletter		
	222 2011g C 1112.2., 2100 0100	March 24	Public Presentations - 5:00 @ Extension Office		
		March 26	Swine Weigh-in @ Fairgrounds @ 8 AM		

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any of these programs, please contact the University of Illinois Extension Office at 618-382-2662.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
by the 15th	need a let me know Will order month!	1	2	3 Cloverbuds 3:30-4:30 Federation	4	5 Cattle Weigh-in 8:00
6	7	8	9 Phil Healy	10	11 Braden Tomm	12 Amy Buchanan
13	14 Valentine's Day	15 Lincoln Draper	16 Jennifer Carter- James Mason Ray	17 Cloverbuds 3:30-4:30 Highlights/ Awards Training 6:00 Trevin Poore	18 Cade Marshall	19
20	21 President's Day	22 Virtual Unit 24 Parliamentary Procedure Training 6:30-7:30	23	24	25 Cosmic Bowling @ Muddy 6:00-8:00 Quinn Forston	26
27	28	Congratulations to Grace McCarty for her winning guidebook cover! Guidebooks will be coming out soon! 2022 White County 4-H Fair Dates will be July 9-15!				

2022 Livestock Ownership Deadlines

Birth, Ownership and Tattoo Dates for Illinois State Fair Junior Show and White County. If you are interested in State Fair, please ask for more specific guidelines.

STEERS & MARKET HEIFERS:

- Calved on or after January 1, 2021
- Owned & personally cared for by exhibitor since February 1, 2022
- Tattooed & Tagged -
- o On or between the last Saturday in January (January 29, 2022) and February 27, 2022.

Beef weigh-in is February 5. (All Male & Females will be weighed and/or tagged)

o In addition to tattooing, steers that will be going to state fair are to be tagged with the electronic ID tags.

BARROWS:

- Regular Barrows
- o Farrowed on or after December 15, 2021 (White County Livestock Show Only) and must be the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2022.

Swine weigh-in is March 26 @ 9am @ the Fairgrounds (All Male & Females will be weighed and/or tagged)

- Premiere Barrows
- o Farrowed on or after February 10, 2022 and must have been the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2022
- o Weighed and Tattooed February 10 to April 15, 2022
- o Tattooed within 35 days of birth and not weigh more than 1.0lbs/day of age
- o Junior exhibitors can purchase nominated barrows

SHEEP WETHERS:

- Both Premiere & Live Show Wethers
- o Lambed on or after January 1, 2022
- o Ownership Date May 15, 2022
- o Weighed, Tattooed & Tagged between March 15 and May 15, 2022.

Sheep & Goat weigh-in is May 7 @ 8:00am @ Fairgrounds.

(All Male & Females will be weighed and/or tagged)

- Weigh/Tattoo procedures for Open & Jr. Premiere & Live Show Wethers:

All lambs and meat goats to be exhibited at the State Fair MUST be taken to one of the statewide locations for weighing and tattooing. Each lamb will be tagged with an electronic ID tag, tattooed, weighed, and recorded on Lamb Nomination Forms from Dan Jennings.

Specific information regarding each of the weigh-in locations & procedures will be forthcoming. MEAT GOATS

- Wethers Born on or after October 1, 2021
- Tattooed in name of exhibitor only by May 15, 2022
- Ownership dates for Kids & Yearlings not in milk May 15, 2022

Re-certification required for youth exhibiting livestock

4-H members exhibiting animals entering the food production system will be required to complete the **Youth for the Quality Care of Animal** certification (YQCA). This program is the industry-standard certification. Check with local offices about completing the training.

The training must be completed each year. http://yqca.org

Horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats will still be required to take the **Quality Assurance and Ethics** (QAEC) training. This training is only required once in the member's career.

http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/

Face to face trainings are being planned for the Spring which will be \$3.00 online training will be \$12.00. March 19, April 23, and May 7

After proof of completion the Livestock Committee will reimburse you for your training.



Youth 5 - 7 years of age **Can join 4-H** as a 4-H Cloverbud! **\$10 covers ALL your costs for 8 meetings.**

The meetings will be 3:30 - 4:30 on Thursdays ...

Feb. 3 Feb. 17 Mar. 3 Mar. 17 Apr. 17

Apr. 21 May 5 May 19

All meetings will be held at the U of I Extension Building in Carmi, unless stated otherwise.



The next regular Federation business meeting will be held on Thursday, February 3 at 5:30pm at the Extension Office, with a zoom option available.



https://illinois.zoom.us/j/86552644532? pwd=SUNqSnNTZURuZEhNQOYOOEUwTOV4dzO9

Will be making Valentines for local nursing home residents. Supplies will be provided, but please feel free to bring more.

Leather Craft Workshop Series



Charlie Nolan is going to provide a leather workshop/SPIN club once again starting in March if there will be enough interest!

Please let Charlie or Amy know if you would be interested in participating!
For ages 10 and older



Beginners will make three bookmarks - \$6.00 for all 3 bookmarks.

Non-beginners will have the chance to make a belt, billfold, checkbook cover, etc. - \$10.00 to \$15.00 for these items.

We will have to let Charlie know ASAP so he can get them ordered. Call 382-2662 to sign up.



February 20th

White County Extension 6-8:00 p.m.

An informative training on how to complete your White County 4-H Highlights and Experience Award Applications.

Bronze Clover

Complete 1 experience in each of the four dimensions.

Silver Clover

Complete 2 experiences in each of the four dimensions; at least 2 experiences must be at the County level or beyond.

Gold Clover

Complete 4 experiences in each of the four dimensions; at least 2 experiences must be BEYOND the County level.

Diamond Clover

Complete 6 or more experiences in ONE dimension; at least 4 of those experiences must be BEYOND the County level.

Emerald Clover

Complete 8 or more experiences in ONE dimension; at least 4 of those experiences must be BEYOND the County level PLUS at least 2 must be at the State or National level.

Bring your Highlights, binder, pencil, and a parent/guardian. RSVP by 2/19 at 618.382.2662 or amccarty @illinois.edu





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I move. Is there a second? All those in favor? Those are words you have likely heard during 4-H club meetings, but what do they mean, and why are they important? Join us for the second workshop in our leadership series to understand more about Parliamentary Procedure and how it can make meetings more fun, effective, and efficient.

This training is for everyone! Whether you are a club officer wanting to learn more about running meetings or a club member that wants to feel more comfortable speaking up in meetings, take a moment to register today!

Parliamentary Procedure Training

Date: Tuesday February 22 @ 6:30 p.m.

Registration Link: https://form.jotform.com/220066073058147



UNIT 24 COSMIC BOWLING

Calling All 4-H Members and Volunteers...You are invited to a fun evening of COSMIC BOWLING at Ross Cottom Lanes on Friday Night, February 25, 2022 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The cost is only **\$4.00** per game, per person. If you bowl 2 games or more, the shoe rental will be waived.

We are joining 4-H members from Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Pope, and White Counties for a fun Unit #24 Bowling night! This will be a great time to meet 4-H members from other counties and renew old friendships.

Don't forget to bring your bowling money and extra money for snacks and drinks. In order to have enough lanes reserved, you must RSVP by February 18th!

COSMIC BOWLING COMMUNITY SERVICE

We are collecting Birthday items to deliver to area food pantries. We would like to create a complete Birthday bundle in a disposable cake pan with all the items necessary to make a fun birthday party. There are many families who might not be able to provide this important recognition. We ask that families attending Cosmic Bowling bring any of the following items, if possible:

Disposable 9x13 Cake Pan, Cake Mix, Small Bottle of Vegetable Oil, Canned Frosting, Party Plates and Napkins, Birthday Candles, Birthday Gift Sack, Decorations and/or Birthday Card.

Thanks so much for your generosity!





Area residents will have an opportunity to learn basic principles of safe hunting at the Illinois Department of Natural Resources hunter safety certification course. Participants must attend <u>all 10 hours</u> of instruction and pass the test to receive their certification.

The workshop times are Tuesday, March 1 & Thursday, March 3 from 6-8pm and Saturday, March 5, 9am-3pm at the U of I Extension Office.

The course is geared toward youth, but older hunters are also encouraged to attend the classes since many states now require out-of-state hunters to show proof of certification. A 1996 Illinois law requires that all hunters born after Jan. 1, 1980 must successfully complete the hunter education course before they can receive their first hunting license.

Participants completing the course receive a hunter education certification card which verifies they have passed the course.

The ten-hour course includes instruction in wildlife management, firearms safety, hunter ethics, game identification, first aid, survival techniques and regulations. The lead instructor will be Bobby Lamp.

Pre-registration is not required, but would be helpful. To register, one may call the Extension office at 382-2662 by March 1. **Space is limited to 25 participants.**

Farm Credit Illinois Community Improvement Grants

Farm Credit Services Illinois Community Helping Farm Families Succeed

Improvement Grant is inviting 4-H Clubs to apply for a \$500 grant to assist club members in being positive change agents by making their local communities better places to live. Eligible clubs are those located in one of the counties served by Farm Credit Services Illinois which includes 14 Extension Units in southern & central Illinois. Applications are due March 1, 2022. Use the following URL for more information and to connect to the online application: http://www.farmcreditil.com/resources/community/grants/Pages/default.aspx



4-H Project Grants Available



The White County Farm Bureau is pleased to sponsor the 2022 4-H Project Grant Program for White County 4-Hers.

The program is designed to encourage young 4-Hers to begin new projects by eliminating potential cost burdens they may have; as well as encourage new individuals to become active in the White County 4-H program.

4-Hers ages 8-14 are eligible to apply. Applications must be completed by the 4-Her and signed off by a parent/guardian and the 4-H Club Leader. Applications are due March 1, 2022.

Applications are available from 4-H club leaders, the White County Extension office, and the White County Farm Bureau.

Applications can also be downloaded at www.whitecfb.com.

If you have questions regarding requirements of the 4-H Project Grant Program, please call the Farm Bureau office (618) 382-8512.

Test Your Knowledge at Trivia Night

The Barbwire Gang 4-H Club will host a Unit 24 4-H Trivia Night on Thursday, March 10 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the courthouse basement. All clubs are invited and can enter as many teams as you like.

There is no fee to participate and prizes will be awarded.

All ages are encouraged to play along. There will be many different topics and categories and you may be surprised by the amount of useless knowledge you have stored in your brain. Please contact the office by March 6 with your entries.

A taco bar meal will be provided at 5:30.

Youth are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for the Barbwire Gang Gives Back Box that is at the GIFT Garden. This will provide you with a multi-county event and service project for your records.



Livestock Clinic, Skill-a-thon and YQCA Training

Are you interested in livestock, meeting new people who share your interests and increasing your livestock knowledge?

Mark your calendars for a day of fun and learning on

Saturday, March 19 at Circle H Cattle Company. 21228 State Route 242 Dahlgren, Il 62828. (Put this in your GPS, cause it is not actually in the town of Dahlgren)

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and the clinic starts at 9:30.

4-H members will compete in a couple judging rings, livestock demonstrations, feed ingredient identification, breed identification, equipment identification and YQCA training.

A \$5.00 fee will register each member in all classes except the YQCA training that you MUST preregister for online. Prizes will be awarded in several categories in both junior and senior divisions. Lunch will be provided by Farm Credit.

Please contact the Hamilton County Extension office at 643-3416 or by email to pjhatfie@illinois.edu with any suggestions or to register.

Throughout the day members will complete the face to face YQCA training, the cost will be \$3.00 and must be preregistered at yqca.org.

Those who do not complete the training will be removed from the animal science project and will not be eligible to exhibit at county fairs.

White Co. 4-H Support Committee Pork Loin Sale

Saturday, April 9, 2022
Pick Up from 3-6 PM
White County Fairgrounds



INSTEAD OF A TRADITIONAL PORK CHOP DINNER THIS YEAR, WE'RE SELLING DELICIOUS BONELESS PORK LOINS...

A HALF BONELESS PORK LOIN FOR \$25! PRE – ORDERS ARE DUE BY APRIL 1, 2022 MONEY IS DUE AT TIME OF PICK UP

3 Easy Ways to Pre-Order:

Google Docs: https://forms.gle/UjmiZe82VJr1qGGQ7

Call: 618-382-2662

Email: amccarty@illinois.edu

(Name, telephone number, and amount required on all orders)

(Scan here to order)



Each year the Support Committee gives money from the Pork Chop Dinner to Extension. That's the money we use to buy awards, fund trips, workshops, pay part of 4-H enrollment, and provide a discount to members on project manuals.

THIS IS THE MAIN FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR. PLEASE PLAN ON ORDERING!!!

DIMENSION	COLUMN A # of club / individual experiences	COLUMN B # of county experiences	COLUMN C # of unit-wide/ regional experiences	COLUMN D # of state/ national experiences
PARTICIPATION	Norris City Mayor Signing Grayville Mayor Signing Enfield Mayor Signing	Sept 1 - National 4-H Week Theme Contest Sept 2 - Federation Oct 5 - Carmi Mayor Signing Oct 9 - Corn Day Events 100 Year's Window Display Evening of Excellence Highlights/Awards Training Feb. 17		National 4-H Spirit Week National Lego Day
COMMUNITY SERVICE	Christmas Lights of Hope Salvation Army Ringing of the Bell	Sept 4 - Grayville Parade Sept 25 - Norris City Parade October 2 - Enfield Parade Oct 7 - Federation October 9 - Corn Day Parade Historical Society - Robinson Stewart House December Federation Federation Salvation Army Ringing of the Bell Federation Ice Skating Rink	October Food Challenge Centerville Ripsnorter's Veteran's Day Drive Sand Cave Hike Kentucky Tornado Victims (Cosmic Bowling) Birthday Party in a Bag	
LEADERSHIP	Club Officers	PSA's Leadership Role at a Federation Meeting Cloverbud Meetings GIFT Garden Classes Expansion & Review Comm. Illinois Jr. Chef	Virtual Officer Training January 6 Parliamentary Procedure Training February 22	Junior Leadership Conference Oct. 16-17 Youth Leadership in Brazil 9/29/21 Speaking for Illinois
PROJECT LEARNING	Shooting Sports SPIN Club GIFT Garden SPIN Club	Dog Obedience Workshop Series Pumpkin Decorating Contest Christmas Tree Decorating Contest Guidebook Cover Contest Leather Craft Workshop Series Public Presentations March 24	Sign Language Workshop - October 16 Scarecrow Challenge (Heritage Arts)- Nov. 1 Electrical Workshop - Nov 20 Clever Cricuts SPIN Club Virtual Ornament Workshop - Dec. 11 Virtual Mix & Match Visual Arts Workshop - January 15 Woodworking Workshop March 12	Celebrating Youth in Agriculture Contest - September 16 Creative Writing Contest - Sept 24 Standing Together Taking Action SPIN Club 10/12/21 Scientist Megan Seymour Webinar 10/25/21 Capturing Ag Through Your Lens Photo Contest-10/29/21 2022 Illinois Calendar Photo Contest Clube Solo Fértil

Note Earlier Date Change for Public Presentations!!



March 24, 2022

5:00-7:00

U of I Extension Office in Carmi

RSVP by March 21, 2022



Gallatin-Hardin-Hamilton-Pope-Saline-White Counties

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