# **ILLINOIS** Extension 4-H Newsletter



## December/January 2019

## **Calendar of events**

(Dates are tentative and subject to change) **December** 

24-31 Extension Office CLOSED

#### <u>January</u>

- 1 Extension Office CLOSED
- Movie Night schedule as follows:
  Cloverbud-8th grade 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.;
  High School 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.
  - 8 Wayne City 4-H Club meeting at 6:30 p.m.
  - 12 Geff Chatters club meeting at 2:00 p.m.
  - 13 Foundation Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
  - 14 Enterprisers club meeting at 6:30 p.m.
  - 14 Country Kids club meeting at 7:00 p.m.
  - 18 YQCA Training; 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. at extension office
  - 20 Extension Office CLOSED
  - 20 New Hope Lucky Clovers club meeting at 6:00 p.m.
  - 22 YQCA Training; 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at extension office

#### <u>February</u>

- 3 YQCA Training; 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at extension office
- 22 YQCA Training; 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. at extension office
- 23 Rabbit workshop; 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at extension office
- 24 Bingo at Brookstone; 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## Premind

Communicate safely with students & parents.

Wayne County 4-H uses this <u>FREE</u> app to communicate with our members, as well as our Facebook account. You can join our Remind class by entering our class code @ e924ff.





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## Wayne County 4-H



## **Rabbit Workshop**

When: Sunday, February 23, 2020 Time: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Where: Wayne County Extension Office Why: To help get you prepared, for the March 14, Junior and Open show, held at the Wayne County Fairgrounds - Floral Hall , our rabbit Superintendent, Valerie Edwards, is conducting a workshop to help you with grooming, tattooing, and showing your rabbit. Valerie will use her rabbits for demonstration purposes. You may bring your own rabbit if you need them tattooed before the show.

## Dog

## Obedience



## Class

coming this winter. We are planning a dog obedience class at Jeff and Mary Murphy's Pet Grooming and Boarding in Cisne. These dates are not finalized, but please watch Facebook and Remind for upcoming dates and details.



#### Wayne County Rabbit Exhibitors

We are hosting a double open, double youth, ARBA sanctioned show in Wayne County.

This show is scheduled for March 14, 2020 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds - Floral Hall, sponsored by Southeastern IL RBA. For more information about this show, visit the Fairfield Rabbit Club Facebook Page.

https://www.facebook.com/events/836605216734460/



Community Service Activity BINGO at BROOKSTONE Monday, February 24, 2020 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Meet at Brookstone at 6:15 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend!

## Wayne County 4-H



#### **2020 WAYNE COUNTY FAIR:** Fair dates have been changed to July 17-25, 2020



Trainings in Wayne County will be conducted at the extension office on the following days:

- Saturday, January 18, 2020 from 9 to 10 a.m.
- Wednesday, January 22 from 7 to 8 p.m.
- Monday, February 3, 2020 from 7 to 8 p.m.
- Saturday, February 22, 2020 from 9 to 10 a.m.

Sign up and pay for this course online at:

https://learngrow.io/



## <u>4-H MOVIE NIGHT</u> held at the Extension Office

New this year, we will have 2 sessions for our movie night:

Cloverbud—8th grade will watch a movie and have popcorn, snacks, and drinks from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

High School age will watch a movie and have pizza, snacks, and drinks from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Admission for Pizza Night is a roll of paper towels, a box of Kleenex or a package of toilet paper. The admission items will be used for prizes at Bingo at Brookstone.

#### What is a 4-H Buddy?

A 4-H Buddy is paired with a new member to help the new member feel welcome, and learn about 4-H activities and events.





#### Qualifications:

Must be a 3rd year member Complete the 4-H Buddy Training with Yvette Serve as a good role model

Volunteer your time to help a new member.





## Save the date 2020 Illini

## **Summer Academies**

The college exploration event of the year is set for 2020. Illinois 4-H Illini Summer Academies will be held June 21 – 27 on the University of Illinois campus. Registration opens March 16 and runs through April 17 for participants. Youth requesting financial assistance should apply January 31 thru March 1. Look for new information soon.





## Aim high for the Illinois State Fair

Make plans now to attend the Illinois State Fair. The 4-H General Project Show will be three days, August 14-16 in Springfield.

Wayne County's exhibit day is Sunday, August 16, 2020.

### Change lives, be a 4-H camp counselor

It may be cooling off now, but summer will return, and we need you to help mentor the campers at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Applications will be available in January. We're looking for certified lifeguards and young adults interested in fishing, shelter building, tree and wildlife identification, and other outdoor adventures. We also need counselors interested in STEM programming. For information, contact Andy Davis @ ardavis1@illinois.edu or call 217-762-2741.







## Explore the nation's capital

For over 50 years, thousands of 4-H members have traveled to Washington, DC to participate in Citizenship Washington Focus, a lifechanging week that empowers 4-H'ers to take their leadership skills to the next level for themselves and their communities. The trip is July 4 – 11, 2020. You must be at least 14 by May 1, 2020. During the week, you will explore the federal legislative process through workshops and hands-on sessions, tour historical sights and museums, give your voice on issues, visit federal legislative offices, and meet teens from other states. The 2020 cost is estimated to be \$1,305, with financial assistance being provided from the Illinois 4-H Foundation. Registration deadline is Friday, January 3, 2020. Register at go.illinois.edu/4HCWF.



#### Take the next step in your leadership journey February 22 & 23 | Effingham, IL

You'll laugh. You'll make new friends. You'll even learn cool ideas to take back to your own 4-H Club at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration closes when we reach 100 participants, so don't wait to the Jan. 24 deadline. Do it now! REGISTER: <u>go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc</u>. This year's conference will be held at the Holiday Inn in Effingham!



In addition to cool things to do, you'll each participate in these fun workshops:

- Flying into the Virtual World: Explore STEM with 4-H! Take a trip to Europe, South America, and Africa through the world of Virtual Reality. Put your problem solving skills to work and help solve international problems in the form of fun engineering challenges! Come work with 4-H to explore the world of technology that surrounds us and those in other countries.
- Tacky Tourist Trivia: Explore the world of trivia with your tacky tourist guides. Throughout the trivia tour, you will test your knowledge of the world, 4-H, pop culture, and more as you work with your team to win the Tacky Tourist Trivia Tournament.
- Weathering the Storm of Agriculture: Are you experiencing the calm before the storm? Do you know how weather and agriculture affect one another? Come and see the impact of both agriculture and weather across the globe.
- Follow Our Lead: Follow our lead as we take a trip to India to learn and practice dancing fusion style. On our journey, we will experience the culture and rich history this dance has to offer.
- Pass the Plate: This workshop is your gateway to nutrition around the world. We will be exploring international diets, learning about the components of proper nutrition and completing a food science experiment.

Everyone will also help package meals as they learn more about food insecurity in Illinois.

#### Nominations open for 2020 Salute to Excellence Volunteer awards

The Illinois 4-H program is built on the work of amazing volunteers, and we look forward to recognizing our volunteers for what they do! The National 4-H Council sponsors the Salute to Excellence Award Program that targets 4-H volunteer who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism. Nominate outstanding local volunteers for consideration by contacting the Extension office. The two categories for nominations are:

- Volunteer of the Year recognizing individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for less than 10 years at the local, county, region and state level
- Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer recognizing individuals who have served 10 or more years at the local, county, region or state level.

Nominations are due to the County Office by Friday, January 3, 2020, which will allow us to meet the *Thursday, January 9, 2020* submission deadline set by the State 4-H Office. Submission criteria is available at the Extension Office.





## Be a true leader in service

Join 4-H members and clubs across Illinois and the nation on **Saturday, April 25** as part of *True Leaders in Service*! 4-H clubs serve their communities all year long however the month of April has been selected as a time for ALL 4-H clubs to join together to roll up their sleeves in service to local communities. This could mean helping a person or family in need doing yard work or minor home repairs, cleaning up streets or parks, planting trees or gardens, supporting your local food pantry or any other project that supports a local need.

Make your plans now on how you'll help others. Find resources @ <u>go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice</u>. Later in 2020, you can register your projects there! The goal of the 4-H True Leaders in Service day is to encourage 4-H members in every county to make a positive difference. Service projects can be done by individuals, by 4-H clubs, or as a countywide service project. No matter what the project is, this will be a day to make a difference.









#### There's a place for you at 4-H House

Young women attending University of Illinois may wish to consider 4-H House Cooperative Sorority as their home away from home in the Fall of 2020. 4-H House is a cooperative, which means they do all of our own cooking and cleaning. Tasks are split between members who encourage teamwork and cooperation. Living cooperatively means they can provide an extremely affordable housing option; nearly half the cost of the dorms. Their values are philanthropic, recreational, and scholastic achievement, and they pride themselves on their strong sisterhood bond. Eligible students must have three or more years of experience in a nationally-recognized leadership organization, such as 4-H, FFA, National Honor Society, Student Council, and others.



#### Getting a jump on the 4-H dog project!

Get a jump on all that's possible in the 4-H dog project at a NEW workshop 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, January 18 at the Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center in Dixon. The workshop will include a live agility demonstration, hands-on grooming lessons specific to your breed, health and nutrition tips, and a live rally demonstration. The event is sponsored by the Illinois State 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team. Pre-registration is not required.

## **Taking an animal project? READ THIS**



#### For members enrolled in dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats:

The YQCA is a new livestock quality assurance program that is replacing PQA which no longer exists. All 4-H exhibitors of these animals will be required to certify in the YQCA program each year starting for the 2020 show season. Attend either a face to face class or certify on-line via the website <u>http://</u><u>yqca.org</u> The YQCA program is for youth ages 8-21. The online version is broken into age divisions as follows: juniors 8-11, intermediate 12-14, senior 15-18, and young adults 19-21. This certification is needed each year with test out options of 1-3 years. Youth exhibiting swine at the Illinois State Fair and 4-H fairs are no longer required to be PQA plus certified. The estimated cost for the face-to-face training will be \$3 and \$12 for the online version.

#### For members enrolled in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats:

The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for youth in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs and cats. You only need to take it once in your lifetime. Those who don't complete the training will be removed from the animal science project and will not be eligible to exhibit at county fairs. The website is open year round @ <a href="http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/">http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/</a>. NOTE: Youth must be logged on to a computer for this program, either a desktop or laptop; not an iPad or iPhone.



Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification

#### **Upcoming Events**

January 1	DEADLINE: Teach Outdoor Scholarship
January 1	DEADLINE: Joyce Betz Scholarship
January 3	DEADLINE: Citizenship Washington Focus registration
January 9	DEADLINE: Salute to Excellence
January 18	Dog Clinic, Dixon, IL
February 22 – 23	Junior Leadership Conference, Effingham
March 1	DEADLINE: Farm Credit Scholarship
March 14	2020 Awards Banquet by invitation only
April 25	National 4-H Day of Service

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