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### 4-H Newsletter

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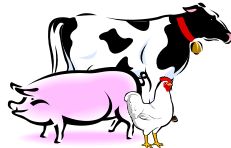
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### *Fair Edition*



#### Calendar of events

(Dates are tentative and subject to change)

#### May

- 21 County t-shirt order forms due today
- 24 New Hope Lucky Clovers meeting, 6 pm
- 27 First Dog Obedience class at the fairgrounds, 6:30 pm

#### June

- 1 LAST DAY TO MAKE FAIR ENTRIES
- 1 QAEC & YQCA Deadline
- 3 Dog Obedience class, 6:30 pm
- 5 Wayne County Livestock Association one day show
- 5 4-H Country Club meeting, 6 p.m.
- 7 Country Kids club meeting, 7 pm
- 9 Wayne City 4-H Club meeting, 6:30 pm
- 10 Dog Obedience class, 6:30 pm
- 11 Federation meeting, 7 pm
- 12 Enterprisers club meeting (farm tour), 2 pm
- 13 Geff Chatters club meeting, 2 pm
- 17 Dog Obedience class, 6:30 pm
- 24 Dog Obedience class, 6:30 pm
- 26 Fairground Cleanup, 9 am
- 28 Country Kids club meeting, 7 pm

#### July

- 1 Food and Clothing show and Food Decorating show at the Methodist Church in Fairfield
- 1 Dog Obedience class, 6:30 pm
- 5 Extension Office - CLOSED
- 6 Dog and Cat show at the fairgrounds
- 9 The fair schedule starts today; for more info, look at the back of your showbook or page 2 of this newsletter
- 22 Foundation meeting, 6 pm

#### August

- 15 Wayne County day at State Fair

# Wayne County 4-H

July 1 - Food and Clothing shows and Visual Arts Food Decorating at 1st United Methodist Church in Fairfield; Registration begins at 1:30 p.m.; show begins at 2 p.m.

July 6- Cat show, 6:30 p.m.  
Dog show, 7:00 p.m.  
Dog Obedience, 7:30 p.m.

July 9 - Horse show at the fairgrounds beginning at 5:30 p.m.

July 11 -All animals in place by 3 p.m.  
Rabbit and Poultry check-in, 3 p.m.  
Goat and Sheep weigh-in, 4 p.m.  
Swine weigh-in, 5 p.m.  
Beef weigh-in, 7 p.m.

July 12 - Registration for general projects, 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.  
Bruce Dickey Show and WFIW radio interviews, 9 a.m.  
General Project show, 9:30 a.m.  
Poultry Show, 2 p.m.

July 13 - Bucket Calf/Beef Show, 8 a.m.  
Sheep show at the sheep barn, 4 p.m.  
Goat show at the 4-H arena, 5 p.m.

July 14 - Swine Show, 8 a.m.  
Rabbit show, 2 p.m.

July 15 - Pictures for Wayne County Press of Trophy and Rosette winners, 8 a.m.  
Round Robin Contest, 1 p.m.  
4-H Awards, 5 p.m.  
Livestock Auction, 5:30 p.m.  
All livestock and general projects release, 7 p.m.

July 16 - Fairground Clean-up, 8 a.m.

August - 15 Wayne County Day at Illinois State Fair



# Wayne County 4-H

## 4-H ANIMAL WELFARE

During fair season, 4-H members have an opportunity to showcase our practice of ethical and humane treatment of animals and demonstrate our commitment to safe food production practices. While showing livestock, we are under the watchful eye of the public. Many people attending a local fair may have no idea how livestock is raised. Practicing these guidelines may prevent public misconceptions about livestock production.

1. Provide fresh, clean water to animals at all times. Feed animals on schedule.
2. Keep your pens clean and dry with good bedding at all times.
3. Take extra care on days of extreme weather or activity.
4. Sort and load animals safely and with concern for them.
5. Train animals to lead or be handled at a young age long before the fair.
6. Arrange for veterinary care in case of an animal emergency.
7. Handle animals in a very humane way.
8. Adhere to all antibiotic, drug, and feed additive withdrawal times.
9. Avoid stressing the animal.
10. Keep animals clean; a clean animal is viewed as a healthy animal.
11. Use show sticks, whips, and canes for showing only and never forcefully hit an animal.
12. Review your 4-H project manual and follow the care recommendations.
13. Have a plan of action should a problem arise, and know which fair official or 4-H leader to contact to help solve it or answer questions.
14. Some words, such as “slaughter” or “killed,” may cause a negative reaction from people unfamiliar with food production. IF ASKED what happens to your market animal after the fair, consider using words such as “harvested” or “sold to packing company.”
15. If questioned or challenged by a stranger or group:
  - a. Remain calm, be polite, and answer any question the best you can. If you do not know an answer, tell them you will find an adult to explain more.
  - b. Do not argue or confront an individual or group who may have a different view about livestock production. Individuals may try to initiate a confrontation and use video of the incident on social media. If confronted, walk away, find an adult in authority, or call 911 if you feel threatened.
  - c. It is natural to think that giving people information will change their minds, but in some extreme cases, people may not want to learn; they want to confront to gain media attention. It is best to walk away without engaging in these situations.

Following these recommendations will reflect a positive image of our livestock industry and the 4-H program, as well as demonstrate the solid animal stewardship practices that are our 4-H tradition.

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## Wayne County Youth Livestock Auction

Many of the livestock exhibitors look forward to the livestock auction every year. As in years past, no ceiling limits have been placed on the animals sold at the auction, but 20 percent of the total sale will go to the Wayne County Youth Auction Fund.

Also, the best way to have buyers come to the auction and bid on your animal is a personal visit from you. If you stop by the extension office, we will be glad to provide you with auction flyers.

### Auction Participants

**\*\*If you are selling in the Youth Livestock Auction,**  
**you must have your animal signed up by**  
**Wednesday, July 14 at 4 p.m.**



**The sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board  
between the bathroom doors in the 4-H Building!**

### NO EXCEPTION TO THE RULE

**All 4-H members must wait 30 minutes after the  
auction to clean out pens and load animals.**

**This rule is not intended to keep you at the fairgrounds longer than you want to be. This is to allow the sellers time to visit with and tell their buyers thank you, and it also allows time for the buyers to leave the fairgrounds before trucks and trailers start moving.**

**This is intended for common courtesy.**

# Wayne County 4-H

## First-Time 4-H Member

**Are you new to 4-H?**

**If you are a first time member and have questions or problems, be sure to ask your leader or call the extension office. It is better to do things correctly, ahead of time, and show up prepared, than try to do paperwork on show day.**

**We are here to help you!!**

**Also, be sure to bring your goal sheets to the food, clothing, and general shows and your livestock records to check-in.**

**BE SURE TO INVITE  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS  
TO THE 2021 FAIR!**

**All county 4-H shows are open  
to the public.**

**We want you to  
show off what  
you have worked  
for all year.**



## ANIMAL EXHIBITORS

**Remember:**

**The health records must accompany  
your livestock records at check in.**

**All dog and cat shot records must  
accompany your pet at the Dog and  
Cat show.**

**Horse exhibitors must have a current  
Coggins records.**

## Federation Grill



The Federation Team will be in charge of the grill, the night of the youth auction, on Thursday, July 15. Our menu will consist of pork burgers and pork chops cooked by Matt Kinney. Please help us spread the word so we can have a successful night.

This is the only fundraiser the Federation Team will do.



# Wayne County 4-H

## State Fair Selection:

During State Fair selection, the 4-H project area is off limits to 4-Hers, parent, etc. The only people allowed in the 4-H building during state fair selection will be the judges and the assistants. Announcement of the State Fair selected projects, and State Fair Alternates will be immediately after judging is completed.



**State Fair Entry Forms (bright paper attached to project) MUST be returned by Friday, July 16 to the Extension Office.** We need to know if you are going to State Fair and in what project area. All exhibitors who have projects selected for State Fair must return this form. Alternates will then need to be notified.

## What is Conference Judging?

The 4-H program uses conference judging for all non-livestock exhibits to evaluate 4-H members' projects. Conference judging is a one-on-one discussion between the 4-H member and the judge of that project area. The judge will ask the member questions about their project. For example, the judge may ask: Why did you do it this way? What did you like about what you made? What would you change next time?

A member learns from the conference with the judge, as well as improves his/her communication skills every time they exhibit.

The process of conference judging is also used at State Fair.

## Fair notes:

- General Project Registration—Monday, July 12, 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. in the 4-H building.
- Don't forget your project goal sheets/records for the general show.
- **Cake decorating is a visual arts project, but will be judged during the Food & Clothing Show at the First United Methodist Church on Thursday, July 1.**
- Anyone who wins an award during a livestock show, please be at the fairgrounds Thursday, July 15 at 8 a.m. for pictures for Wayne County Press.
- Remember, all junior fair animals must stay on the fairgrounds all week and are released 30 minutes after the Youth Livestock Auction is complete.
- General projects will remain on display until 30 minutes after the Youth Livestock Auction is complete, approximately 7 p.m. **(rule #5 on page 21 of showbook)**. If you cannot be there, you may pick up your project Friday morning or make arrangements for someone to pick up your project for you!

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## RULE FOR HORSE EXHIBITORS

**NEW in 2016:** All 4-H members are required to wear a properly fitted ASTM or SEI standard F1163 certified equestrian helmet whenever mounted or driving at all 4-H horse and pony events, shows, activities, or practices. Original tags must be present in all approved helmets. The 4-H member is responsible to see that this specified head-gear is properly fitted with the approved harness fastened in place whenever mounted. Helmet policies apply to all county, area, and state 4-H horse and pony events, shows, and activities. The Wayne County Fair Board does have a limited amount of helmets to be borrowed throughout the show if your child would like to borrow/share one.

*Remember to say - THANK YOU*

## 4-H Show Attire

The 4-H Show can be so much fun that sometimes we forget how important it is to look our best when exhibiting our project(s). This does not mean that you need to be in new or dressy clothing. This means:

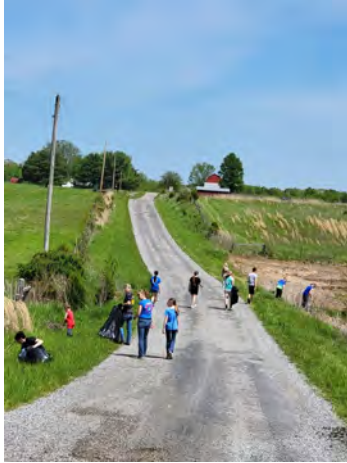
- Be neat and clean
- Take hats off while showing projects (Judges like to see faces when they are speaking to you)
- Have your hair combed
- Have your shirts tucked in and shoestrings tied
- Have hands washed
- Livestock exhibitors, wear jeans or khakis (no shorts)
- Wear shirts with sleeves (no tank or spaghetti tops)

Neat appearance will not only make you feel better, it will impress the judges too. Let's try to look our best, learn all you can and have fun when showing your projects.



# Club News

Enterprisers 4-H Club's May meeting was community service. They spent the afternoon cleaning up local cemeteries in their community.



In Wayne City 4-H Club's May meeting, they used their activity time to play a get to know your club member game by using their shoes to learn more about that person.

