Calendar of events
(Dates are tentative and subject to change)

November
4  Achievement Night; 6 p.m., at Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 1700 Outer West Delaware Street, Fairfield
7  Country Kids Club Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
8  Extension Office CLOSED - Election Day
8  Federation Meeting; 10:30 a.m.
9  Wayne City 4-H Club meeting; 6:30 p.m.
9  Enterprisers meeting; 6:30 p.m.
9  New Hope Lucky Clovers meeting; 6:30 p.m.
24-25 Extension Office CLOSED - Thanksgiving Holiday

December
1  Re-enrollment DEADLINE
9  Festival of Lights at Leo French Park

Join Us on the Federation Team

The primary function of Federation continues to be event planning, educational programming and representing their club as liaisons. 4-H members in the 8th grade and older are welcome to join our team!

Federation serves many functions:

*Leadership training  *Club representation for decision making
*Countywide event planning *Socialization for youth from different clubs and geographical areas

OUR NEXT FEDERATION MEETING IS:
Tuesday, November 8; 10:30 am
At the Extension Office

University of Illinois Extension - Wayne County 4-H
The 2022-2023 4-H year has officially begun.

Re-enrollment Deadline: December 1, 2022

As you know, enrollment in the 4-H program never closes, but we have certain deadlines that we must follow for those who are current members. Participation in 4-H, without proper documentation, puts us at risk in the event of an incident. For that reason, we want to do everything possible to encourage timely completion of paperwork from families.

Youth who do not re-enroll will have

LIMITED PARTICIPATION

options until the re-enrollment process is completed.

- Youth must be enrolled to be covered by insurance before they participate in any club/county/state activities & meetings. (There is a very short grace period covering members during the September roll over to the new program year.)

- Youth must complete the ZSuite online re-enrollment process, check the appropriate boxes (risk, photo, medical, etc.), and pay the enrollment fee before they participate in any club/county/state activities & meetings.

- Youth cannot attend club meetings after December 1 without re-enrolling, so they are covered by insurance and all required boxes are checked in ZSuite.

- Youth cannot participate in events/trips until they have re-enrolled.

Please remember to get the enrollments completed, as we have received very few enrollments so far. Instructions have been mailed to every household. I know some clubs have Christmas events planned for their December meeting, but you
COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITY

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Leo French Park, Fairfield

DECEMBER 9, 2022
5 PM - 8 PM

4-H IS COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR THE VOLUNTEERS FOR A PROGRESSIVE FAIRFIELD FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS DISPLAY

You can work the entire time, or for as much time as you have to give on December 9.
**Wayne County 4-H**

**Tractor Safety**

November 12, 2022
8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Richland County Extension Office

Questions?
Contact Ryan Littlejohn
(618) 395-2191 or rclittle@illinois.edu

The U.S. Department of Labor identify certain agricultural tasks as particularly hazardous when performed, for hire, by youth under the age of 16. A training program was established that provided youth ages 14 and 15 to be certified to perform some of these tasks, when working for hire on a farm. The GEARING UP FOR SAFETY curriculum is designed to meet the current training requirements of the HOOA including minimum duration of instruction requirements for participants.

Classes will be taught by University of Illinois Extension Staff that includes 15 classroom lessons, written test, operational test and certification upon completion.

Youth must attend each Saturday to complete the training for the certification.
November 5 and 12, 2022 from 8AM-4PM
Test Date for Certification is Saturday November 19th from 8AM-12PM

Registration [https://go.illinois.edu/Richlandtractorsafety](https://go.illinois.edu/Richlandtractorsafety)
Questions or want more information? Contact Ryan Littlejohn at 618-395-2191 or rclittle@illinois.edu

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**Mindfulness and Art Workshop**

November 18, 2022

Join Illinois Healthy Living Ambassador Victoria Zwilling to learn how art can be a form of mindfulness. She will be teaching kids how to use mindfulness to reduce stress, balance busy schedules, and monitor mental health. In this workshop, participants will learn and create using several art forms, including origami and Zentangle. This workshop is open to kids ages 8-18.

November 18th, 2022 from 12:30-1:30 PM

Register here: [https://go.illinois.edu/Richlandmindfulnessart](https://go.illinois.edu/Richlandmindfulnessart)
Questions? Contact Ryan at 618-395-2191 or rclittle@illinois.edu
Illinois 4-H History Project

Illinois 4-H is proud of the rich history of 4-H and our 4-H alums near and far. If you were a member of the Illinois 4-H program, you are one of 25 million Americans who share a unique bond.

Illinois 4-H launched a new initiative for an Illinois 4-H History project and is seeking to reconnect with Illinois 4-H Alumni to hear their 4-H stories and share their 4-H memories. Illinois 4-H has a strong history dating back to 1899 with the start of W.B. Otwell forming the first boy’s corn club in Macoupin County, Illinois, followed by A.B. Graham, founding the first 4-H club of boys and girls with officers and projects, and record requirements in Clark County, Ohio in 1902. Illinois then established the first 4-H club, Union Pig Club, organized by C.C. Coots, in Macoupin County in 1915.

We are interested in gathering your memories, photos, or photos of memorabilia of those special moments in which 4-H impacted you. Share your 4-H story online at https://go.illinois.edu/4-Hstory
Illinois 4-H has again secured funding to send 25, 4’ oak trees to be planted by 4-H members on public ground in their communities as part of the 4-H Green Communities Tree program in April, 2023. Last year, 31 counties participated and Extension Offices are now being surveyed to ask if they are interested on being chosen for involvement next spring. Preference will be given to those counties that did not receive trees in 2022.

Trees must be planted in one group, called a savanna, so an area of approximately \( \frac{3}{4} \) acre must be available. Public parks, schools, conservation areas, or other community owned properties are potential locations. This is a great way for youth to learn about the benefits of trees (curriculum and activities provided with trees) and put their “hands to larger service” for their club, community, country and world.

Ideas? Contact your county Extension office or Curt Sinclair at: sinfulclair@illinois.edu by Nov. 15, 2022.

### State Events

| November: | November 25-29 National 4-H Congress |
| January 2023: | January 14-15 Youth Livestock Conference |
| April 2023: | April 8 State Awards Banquet  
April 29 State Public Speaking Competition |
| May 2023: | May 13 State Robotics Competition |
| June 2023: | June 25-29 Illini Summer Academies |