



# Extension

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## 4-H NEWS MARCH 2023

LINCOLN, MONTGOMERY & WARREN COUNTIES



### COMING EVENTS

State: May 20: 4-H Day with the Cardinals

#### LINCOLN:

- March 5: Family Fun Night, 5 p m, Moscow Mills Lions Club
- 11 & 12: Hog Weigh-in
- 11: Shooting Sports Safety Class 8 a m-3 p m, Fairgrounds
- 13 & 27: County Cake Decorating, 5 p m, Hawk Point Community Building
- 14: Teen Leaders, 7 p m, Extension Center
- 17: Poultry Meeting, 7 p m, Extension Center
- 20: Rabbit Meeting, 6 p m, Extension Center
- 21: Sheep Meeting, SMQA, 7 p m, Fairgrounds
- 28: 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p m, Extension Center

#### MONTGOMERY:

- March 5: 4-H Council at Rockin' Jump, 2:30-4:30 pm, O'Fallon
- 9: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Montgomery City Library
- 13: Goat/Sheep Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Big Spring Firehouse
- 18: Hog Weigh-In, 8-10 a.m., Fairgrounds

#### WARREN:

- March 1: 4-H Council Scholarship Applications DUE
- 2: American Red Cross Blood Drive, 12:30 p m – 5:30 p m, Extension Office
- 3: Horse Meeting, 6 p m, Wasser Farms
- 3: Scrapbooking Meeting, 6 p m, Extension Office
- 4: Scrapbooking Meeting, 9 a m, Extension Office
- 7: Water Bath Canning Meeting 4-6:30 p m, Extension Office
- 7: 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p m, Extension Office
- 10: Warren County T-Shirt Order Forms DUE
- 11: Exploring 4-H Project Day, 9 a m – 2:30 p m, Extension Office,  
\*Pre-registration required
- 12: Hiking Meeting, 1p m, Big Sugar Creek Trail, Cuivre River State Park
- 13: Dog Meeting, 5:30 p m, Extension Office
- 13: Rabbit Meeting, 7 p m, Extension Office
- 20: Citizenship, Leadership and Communication Meeting, 5:30 p m,  
Harton Senior Living
- 25: Market Hog Check In, 8 a m, Fairgrounds

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**WARREN**

March 25: Line Dancing Project Meeting, 9 a m-11 a m, Extension Office  
 27: Dog Meeting, 5:30 p m, Extension Office  
 31: Shooting Sports Program Fees DUE  
 31: Scrapbooking Meeting, 6 p m, Extension Office

**OPPORTUNITIES****20<sup>th</sup> Annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals**

All members, friends and alumni are invited to join us for the 20th annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals May 20<sup>th</sup> when the Cardinals take on the Los Angeles Dodgers in a 6:15 p m game. Tickets are \$30 each and includes a specially designed t-shirt. New this year – there is an option to purchase a ball cap for \$10.00 to commemorate the day. Everyone can take part in a parade around the field and watch the opening ceremony where a Missouri 4-H member will throw out the first pitch! You can also participate in the raffle for a chance to win autographed baseballs and tickets to future games. Registration can be found at <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/4-h-day-with-the-cardinals-2023>.

Groups that wish to sit together must submit one order. Registration is open until March 31. Contact Rhonda at 636-528-4613 for more information.

**Teen Conference**

Members 11-13 should plan to attend State Teen Conference May 30-31 in Columbia. Cost is \$100. Registration opens March 1 in 4honline. Please note-you must be in “active” status to register. Space is limited, so register early! Contact your County Office as certain restrictions may apply.

**State 4-H Congress**

Members 14-18 should plan to attend State 4-H Congress May 31 to June 2 in Columbia. Cost is \$200 and registration opens March 1 in 4honline. Please note-you must be in “active” status to register. Space is limited, so register early! Contact your County Office as certain restrictions may apply.

**4-H Camp**

We will be having overnight camp at Camp Derricotte at Cuivre River State Park in Troy!! Counselor training will be June 13-15, 4-H camp for 8-13-year-olds will be June 19-22. Watch for details coming soon.

**Lincoln County Family Fun Night**

Lincoln County 4-H Council will host a Family Fun Night on March 5 from 5-7 p m at the Moscow Mills Lions Club. Activities include duck pond, plinko, corn hole, bottle game and more! Snacks will be provided - Attendance prizes too!! RSVP to 636-528-4613.

**Lincoln County Cake Decorating**

Stephanie Freymuth will be conducting county cake decorating meetings March 13 and 27, April 10 and 24, May 8 and 22, June 5 and 12 and June 19 and 26 from 5-8 p m at the Hawk Point community Building. She will also have meetings at her house May 7 and 21, June 4, 11 and 25, from 5 to 6:30 p m. Please contact Stephanie at 636-262-4256 or [sfreymuth@oelocal513training.com](mailto:sfreymuth@oelocal513training.com) for more information. Thanks Stephanie for being a county leader!!

**Volunteers Keep Us Going**

Volunteers are the grease on the 4-H wheels that drive our 4-H program. The strength and depth of our overall 4-H program is directly proportional to scope of the volunteer support system. Committees are planning summer events and will need your help in supporting the programs as judges and assistants. If you receive a request for your services, please help us!

**Project Work Teaches Decision Making**

Decision-making skills and the ability to logically and clearly express oneself are prized attributes in many careers today. Judging can help 4-H members develop these skills. It also teaches members to appreciate standards, to observe closely and to develop their reasoning ability by presenting oral reasons. Project leaders should utilize guide LG730 – “Judging: A 4-H Teaching Technique” in their project work.

**Demonstrations Help Others Learn How to Do Something Useful**

A demonstration is showing and telling how to do something. It is one of the best methods of teaching others because it involves visual and verbal presentations at the same time. Demonstrations help 4-H members develop self-confidence, express their ideas clearly, answer questions and acquire subject matter knowledge. Project leaders should utilize guide Y744 – “Let’s Demonstrate” in their project meetings.

**Meeting Room Rental**

The Lincoln County Extension Office rents the meeting room to non-Extension groups for \$75 per use. If you know a group interested, have them call 636-528-4613.

Lincoln County 4-H Scholarships

Lincoln County high school seniors are reminded that applications for local scholarships are due to the Extension office by April 15. Contact the office at 636-528-4613 for application and criteria.

Lincoln County Horse Members

Members are encouraged to complete the form for "Horseman of the Year." Records should be kept from April 1 through July 31 and include information on feed, training, vet costs, etc. Contact the office for an application. Only applications obtained from the office are accepted.

Don't Forget the Montgomery County 4-H Council Activity at Rockin' Jump!

The Montgomery County 4-H Council is inviting all Montgomery County 4-H members to Rockin' Jump, 61 N Central Dr., O'Fallon MO 63366 on Sunday, March 5 from 2:30 pm-4:30 pm. The 4-H Council will pay for all enrolled Montgomery County 4-H members. Parents who just want to watch are free.

Montgomery County Informational Goat and Sheep Meeting

All Montgomery County 4-H members who are in Goats or Sheep are invited to an informational meeting on Monday, March 13, 6:00 p.m. at the Big Spring Firehouse, 758 MO-19, New Florence, MO 63363. Topics such as selection, feeding caring, vaccinations, vet care and more will be covered for both goats and sheep. For questions or to RSVP contact Trisha Happe at [trishahappe@hotmail.com](mailto:trishahappe@hotmail.com) or 573-550-8797.

Montgomery County Livestock Members

Don't forget to sign up for your Fair Work Shifts. See the February Newsletter for the dates and times. Shifts are already filling up!

Warren Co 4-H Council Scholarship Applications

Did you see this come via mail? DUE March 1<sup>st</sup>. All members should apply for funds to support opportunities they plan to participate in this 4-H year! Examples include: 4-H Camp, State Teen Conference, State Congress, State Competitions & National activities.

Warren County 4-H Council & Prairie View 4-H Club Blood Drive

Please consider signing up or stopping in to donate blood on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12:30 p m – 5:30 p m at the Warren County Extension Office. Thank you to Prairie View 4-H Club for hosting this event.

Warren County March 4-H Council Meeting

The Warren County 4-H Council will meet on Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p m. All 4-H families are welcome to attend.

Warren County 4-H Tees and Hoodies Available

Warren County 4-H members and families once again have the opportunity to purchase Warren County 4-H tees and hoodies. The tees are available in the maroon heather color and the hoodies in blue heather. Order forms were sent out via email and are also available at the Extension Office. Forms and payment must be returned to the Extension Office by Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. A two to three-week delivery time is expected.

Warren County Shooting Sports Program Fees

All Warren County Shooting Sports projects have a minimal program fee for supplies. All payments are due by March 31 and can be paid via 4-H Online. Members whose fees have not been paid will not be allowed to practice until paid.

Warren County 4-H SMQA – Show Me Quality Assurance

All livestock exhibitors should have received information about their SMQA certification status and steps for online completion. All SMQA certifications must be completed by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Send completion certificates to Cindy at [cmduckworth@missouri.edu](mailto:cmduckworth@missouri.edu) or Maureen at [mgm98k@missouri.edu](mailto:mgm98k@missouri.edu).

Warren County Fair Livestock Exhibitors Tag In/Weigh In Dates

Market Hog (Max of 4 head):

March 25, 2023, 8 a m – 10 am

Market Sheep & Goats (Max of 4 sheep & 4 goats):

April 18, 2023, 6:30 p m - 7:30 p m

Market Rabbit (max of 10 head):

June 6, 2023, 6:30 p m - 7:30 p m

Market Chickens (max of 12 head):

June 6, 2023, 6:30 p m - 7:30 p m

Warren County Line Dancing

The countywide line dancing project will meet on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at the Extension office. The meeting will begin at 9 a m. Future project meetings will be held on Saturdays through June, at the Extension Office. Please watch the newsletter and Facebook page for dates. Questions may be addressed to Teresa Lee at [teresa@leefarms.net](mailto:teresa@leefarms.net)

Warren County Scrapbooking Members

Please plan to attend Scrapbooking project meetings on March 3 and 4 at the Extension Center. Fridays are from 6 p m – 9 p m and Saturdays are from 9 a m – 12:00 p m. Bring your pictures and scrapbooking supplies. Any questions contact Donna Sherman at 636-359-0929 or [shermands@warrencor3.k12.mo.us](mailto:shermands@warrencor3.k12.mo.us)

Warren County Water Bath Canning Members

Please plan to attend our project meetings on March 9 & March 21 from 5:30 p m – 7:30 p m at the Extension Center. Members - please bring jelly jars with lids and seals, liquid pectin and sugar. Contact Denise Dent with any questions at 636-359-6166.

Warren County Rabbit Project Members

The next Rabbit project meeting is scheduled for March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 p m at the Extension Center. Please mark your calendars for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month through May. Rabbit families please make sure to join the Facebook group, “Warren County MO 4-H Rabbits”. If you have questions, reach out to our project leader, Michael Gerdeman. His contact information is 636-459-5638 or [michael.gerdeman@gmail.com](mailto:michael.gerdeman@gmail.com)

Warren County Shooting Sports Handbooks/Practice Dates

The 2023 Shooting Sports Handbook is now available. If you need a copy, you can pick one up at the Extension Office. Practices for all disciplines will begin in April.

- Air Rifle/Air Pistol – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays – Fairgrounds – 1<sup>st</sup> practice is April 13 at 5:30 p m.
- Archery – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays – Fairgrounds – 1<sup>st</sup> practice is April 6 at 5:30 p m.
- Shotgun/22/Muzzleloading – April 16, April 30, May 7, May 21, June 11, June 18, August 6, all at Benchrest Rifle Club in Wright City.
  - 22 & Muzzleloading 1-3 p m
  - Shotgun 3-5 p m

Warren County Shotgun Members

Remember you are responsible for purchasing and providing shotgun shells for your project meetings this year. You will need 50 shells per practice, or 250 rounds to complete the 4-H project year (10 hours). Questions, please reach out to Bill Miller at 636-359-1575 or [billjrmiller@gmail.com](mailto:billjrmiller@gmail.com)

Warren County 4-H Feeding MO – Countywide Contest for Clubs

4-H families are encouraged to support their 4-H clubs by donating non-perishables now through April 30<sup>th</sup> to the Extension Center. The club that brings in the highest

number of points per member, will earn their name on the county plaque and a pizza and movie night!

## CONGRATULATIONS

Ag Innovators Experience

Congratulations to Bailey Schneider, Warren County and Hadley Rickard, Lincoln County, on being selected to teach others how to use their critical thinking skills to take part in solving a real-world agriculture challenge through the 2023 4-H Ag Innovators Experience (4-H AIE) Aerial Ag Challenge.

## REMINDERS

March 4-H Council Meetings

In order for program plans to be made, clubs must be represented at 4-H Council meetings. March dates are listed in the Coming Events. We hope to see your club representative present.

Lincoln County Club Leaders

The annual club assessment of \$30 per member, (not including Clover Kids) is due to the Extension Office by April 1. Checks should be made out to Lincoln County 4-H Council.

County Fair Dates

Warren July 5-8

Lincoln July 11-15

Montgomery July 18-22

## UPDATES

Looking for a Project Leader?

If you are wondering who your project leader is, please check with your club leader first. If they don't show a leader for your project in your club, please contact the Extension Office.

Leader Enrollments

If you have not completed a background check in your profile, or completed the mandated reporter training, **PLEASE DO SO!** Staff can't approve enrollments until these things are complete. That means that you are not a recognized volunteer. If you don't know what your status is, please contact the office. We need to finalize enrollments!!

“Learn to appreciate what you have before life makes you appreciate what you had” unknown