

IZARD COUNTY 4-H



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4-H ROSS PHOTOGRAPHY

This contest is now open and ready to participate in. The contest is looking for pictures taken by your 4-H members. This is a simple contest to enter as absolutely no physical work is required!

The contest is simple as 1,2,3! All that is required is your child take a picture and email it to the office. Ms. Christy will submit the digital version to the state contest on behalf of your 4-H member.

Please email your child's picture to the office before April 1, 2022. Email to ctomlinson@uada.edu and vdaigle@uada.edu.

Please email the picture to BOTH address just in case technology fails.

The categories of contest include:

- Color - Living
- Color- Non Living
- Black and White- Living
- Black and White - Non Living

Let those kids start snapping pictures and then submit their best before March 18, 2022!!!

Poultry

If your 4-H member wants to be enrolled in the 4-H poultry chain contact this office ASAP to get on the list to order chickens. This is a great way to get your 4-H member involved.

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Meet the Banker Workshop

An exciting workshop has been set up for your 4-H member. Matt Rush with FNBC will be hosting a money matters workshop at the Melbourne Branch FNBC on March 29 @4:00pm. Matt will be talking briefly about the importance of children saving money, using their money wisely and giving the 4-H members a brief tour of the bank. YOU must sign your 4-H member up to attend this workshop as we need to have a headcount for that day. Please call the office 870.368.4323 before March 23rd. (Wednesday). The workshop will be brief and we ask that parents remain at the facility.

Basic Beginning Sewing Club

Next club meeting is set for March 8th, 2022, the meeting will be at the Extension Office at 3:30 pm. We will do our best to be completed by 5:00 pm. NOTE this is a Tuesday for March.

Dairy Contest and Rice is Nice Cooking Contest

This is a great opportunity to win CASH and prizes! IZARD County Farm Bureau Woman's Committee has graciously agreed to judge this virtual cooking contest this year. Start helping your child look for a recipe that enhances rice as the main ingredient as well as a recipe that will showcase the use of several dairy products. Your child can decide if they want to enter one or both contests. Since this will be a virtual contest again this year, you will provide a copy of your recipe and a small questionnaire completed by the 4-H member. The finished product will need to be displayed on a plate, set on a placemat with a drink in the photo as to show how you would present this dish to your family for a meal. Detailed rules to follow closer to date as the state guidelines are released.

Garden Workshop

The Garden workshop has been set for May 3rd, 2022 (4:00 pm) at the IZARD County Extension Office. Michael and the Master Gardeners will be providing educational information on gardening to those who sign up. If your 4-H member wants to participate in the Gardening project, please sign up for the workshop by May 29th.

Club Meetings and County Events

Reach out to the local club leader to verify dates and places for local club meetings. The county sponsored events will be published in the newsletter and on Facebook. The county sponsored events are open to all members within our county. The county has several events on the calendar for the upcoming year and we are looking forward to these events.

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Pioneer Day Floats and Kiddie Games

4-H members and Parents are needed again to undertake this amazing community outreach event.

Izard County will again participate in the parade. Each club leader present at our Leader Training has graciously volunteered to assist with this year's float convoy. The leaders will be merging ideas together to make sure all our county clubs are represented again at this event. The float convoy is so that our children can "show UP, show OUT and be SEEN" in a positive manner.

Brain storming session is set for March 15th at 5:30 pm at the Izard County Extension office. Club leaders will be here for the planning event and we invite parents who want to participate to join in on the session. We will discuss the floats and kiddie games that we will be assisting with for Pioneer Day.

Parents you may want to start watching for clearance candy to throw off the floats again! If you can purchase candy to donated as your budget allows, we are thankful for the donation. I am not sure how many pounds we threw out during the parade last year, but it felt like tons of candy! What a great event last year! The 4-H Clubs will sponsor the Kiddie Games on Pioneer Day as in past years. All Clubs will need to have a designated volunteer or multiple volunteers to assist with games.

This event is a great networking tool to show the public that 4-H is active within out community and providing events for all ages.

Club News

Leaders, if you want something put in the next month newsletters about your local club, please email that information by the 24th of each month. Email to both addresses or drop your information by the office. vdaigle@uada.edu or ctomlinson@uada.edu

Newsletter Info

Parents we are trying to ensure the delivery of monthly newsletters to your home. Please contact the office and advise how to wish to get your newsletters to your family. You have two options and we want to ensure you get the newsletters timely. How do you want to get the information? Please contact the office and advise.

- Option A - Paper copy delivered to your post office box
- Option B- Electronically - emailed to the address you provided in our 4-H system

And the newsletter will be posted to the Facebook page so make sure you are following the office page.

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Junior Advisor

Letters were sent out to families regarding 4-H members who will now be eligible for the Junior Advisor Role. This new role is designed to allow the 4-H members who are 12 years and older to be a mentor to younger children, and to help at various county and club events and county fair levels. The Junior Advisor members will be provided opportunities and events that the younger children will not be able to participate in. We are looking forward to this new and exciting opportunity for our older 4-H members. Our County will be partnering with other counties to offer events for the older children to attend who are in the Junior Advisor Role. Stay tuned we will provide info as we finalize plans.

County Day Camp

June 10th at the Izard County Extension office. A fun and educational day for the active 4-H members of all clubs. Stay tuned we will be sending out information closer to date.

As always our office staff is here to assist any active club member with 4-H related projects and ideas.

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