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November & December 2025

Communication updates for families

All good things must come to an end! For many years now the Washington County 4-H has used Remind as our main mode of communication. However updates made to the platform have made it difficult for us to utilize it. Therefore, we will be trying out GroupMe and TeamReach with certain clubs to see how they work for our families. See the Project Page of this newsletter to see how to join the Livestock, Country Ham, and Teen Advisory Council's new communication platforms. If you have any trouble at all receiving updates or getting on these new platforms please reach out!

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Wendy Richardson

WASHINGTON COUNTY

HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE

Stop by the Washington County
Extension Office and pick a tag
from our tree!



The Washington County Holiday Assistance program assists children ages 0-18.

This year we have a record number of tags: 345!

If you would like to donate cash/gift cards, please stop by the Extension Office.

Have questions?

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participation form today!

<https://form.platoforms.com/frhchyob9w7>



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accommodated
with prior notification.

Project Clubs

Join for the 2025-2026 project year!

4-H SharpShooters

Shooting Sports Club

Registration for the 2025-2026 year will start in January. Our first meeting will be in February.

New communication platform coming soon!



4-H Country Ham Project

Country Ham

Country Ham registration is out now and open until December 5th! Members of the Ham Project should attend all Livestock Club meetings on the last Tuesday of every month. This month's meeting has been adjusted for Thanksgiving and will be November 18th. Curing is planned for Monday, January 19th.

Join Our GroupMe!



4-H Best Sew-ers in Town

Sewing Club

These folks have great talent! Get ready to make some beautiful masterpieces in the next couple months! This project is in the spring of each year.

Join Our GroupMe!



Baking Buddies

Food and Cooking

Every Tuesday in November the Baking Buddies will meet and create a delicious treat! Keep an eye on our facebook page for the next round of Baking Buddies!

Join Our GroupMe!



4-H Hooves & Horns

Livestock Club

Learn about feeding, healthcare, judging, grooming, and showing livestock with the Hooves & Horns Livestock club! Their meetings are the last Tuesday of every month at the Washington County Extension Office at 6:30. Because of Thanksgiving the next meeting will be November 18th

Join our GroupMe!



4-H Teen Advisory Council

7th grade & up!

This club is only for teens! We meet on the last Tuesday of every month at 4. Because of the holidays the next meeting will be December 9th at 4:00. We'll be working on our service project at this meeting.

Join our TeamReach: (1)Download TeamReach (2)Make profile (3)Enter GroupCode- WC4-HTAC



4-H Young Riders Club

Horse Club

If you love horses this club is for you! You **do not** have to own a horse to participate either! In fact, they do tours of the industry and have professional speakers often. Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month. The next meeting will November 17 at 6:30 at the Washington County Extension Office.

REMIND: @wchorse2 to 81010





MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR SUMMER CAMP 2026!

JUNE 29 - JULY 3



C5/C6 AREA TEEN TRIP TO HUBER'S



Applications are open NOW for
the **2026 Kentucky 4-H
Achievement Program.**
DUE: November 25th

2025

Kentucky 4-H
ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM



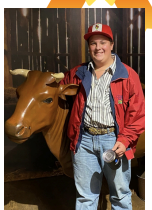
Jacob Piasecki
GOLD



Angelina Taylor
SILVER



Lucy Kate Durham
SILVER



Lucas Brothers
BRONZE



Ann Taylor Hill
Clover Level II



Sarah Beth Mattingly
Clover Level II



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Grace Jones
BRONZE

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Find the application on our website:
[https://washington.mgcafe.uky.edu/
4-h-achievement-programs](https://washington.mgcafe.uky.edu/4-h-achievement-programs)

2025 STATE SHOOT



.22 Rifle Sport 15-18

Nathaniel Montgomery - 1st Place

.22 Pistol 15-18

Grace Jones - 2nd Place

.22 Rifle Sport 15-18 Team
1st Place

Nathaniel Montgomery

Carter O'Cull

Jacob Piasecki

Cody Jones

.22 Rifle Target 15-18

Nathaniel Montgomery - 2nd Place

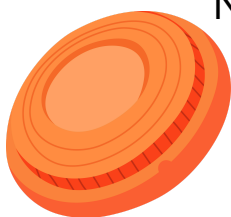
.22 Rifle Target 15-18 Team
1st Place

Nathaniel Montgomery

Grace Jones

Cody Jones

Carter O'Cull



Air Rifle 12-14

Lane Jones - 2nd Place

Air Rifle 15-18

Nathaniel Montgomery - 2nd Place

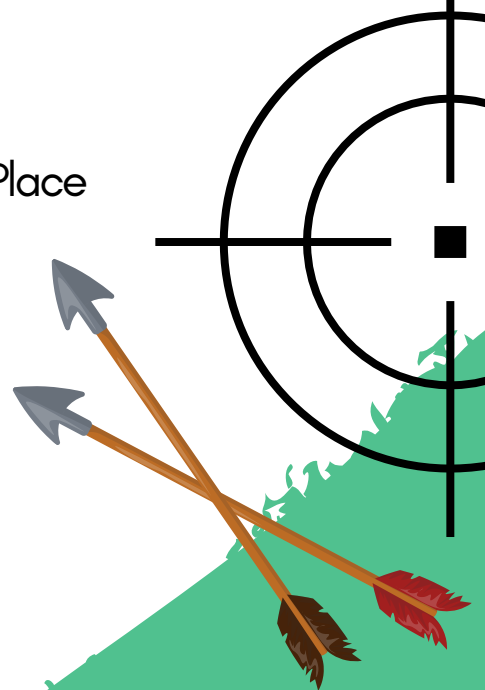
Air Rifle 15-18 Team
2nd Place

Nathaniel Montgomery

Grace Jones

Jacob Piasecki

Lily Allen



**2025
ARCHERY
EXTRAVAGANZA**

Freestyle Limited Compound 15-18
(Target Compound)

Carter O'Cull 2nd Place

Nathaniel Montgomery 3rd Place

2026 Country Ham Curing

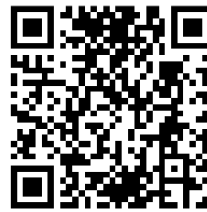
- Ham Curing January 19, 2026
- Ham Shucking May 28, 2026
- Cleaning of Hams August 19, 2026
- State Fair August 20, 2026
 - 3-5 minute speech
 - Junior (2016-2012) The difference between wet and dry cured hams.
 - Senior (2007-2011) The science of curing and aging country hams.

**Due:
December 5th**



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contract!

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QR code to
make your
payment!



At the Extension Office...

We have activities
for youth, adults,
and families!

ON AIR

*Listen weekly for tips on 100.9.
Our office has a weekly radio
show on the same station at
about 8:20 every Tuesday
morning!*



**WITS
WORKOUT**

Join us for a free session to learn about brain health and exercise your wits with fun games! These sessions are held the first and third Friday of each month at the Washington County Public Library. Cabrina Buckman, our Family and Consumer Sciences agent will be teaching. Have questions, call Cabrina at (859) 336-7741

- November 7 - Star Gazing
- November 14 - The Best Medicine
- December 12 - Songbirds
- December 19 - Out with the Old, In with the New



WHEELBARROW SERIES

November 13 - For the Birds
December 5 - Wreath Making



NOVEMBER 2025




SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
26	27 Country Ham Cooking Class @5:30	28 Teen Advisory @5 Livestock Club @6:30	29	30	31	1
2	3 Bee Club @6:30	4 Baking Buddies @3:30	5	6 St. Dominic School Clubs	7	8
9	10	11 Baking Buddies @3:30	12	13 Teen Leadership	14	15
16	17 Young Riders @6:30	18 Baking Buddies @3:30 Livestock Club @6:30	19	20 *** 4-H ISSUES CONFERENCE ***	21	22
23	24	25 Baking Buddies @3:30	26 Young Riders Soup Kitchen	27 HAPPY Thanks Giving WCEO CLOSED	28 NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE	29



DECEMBER 2025



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30 NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE	1	2	3	4	5 Country Ham Contracts Due Date	6
7	8	9 Teen Advisory @5	10	11	12	13
14	15 Area Teens Young Riders @6:30	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Camp Fundraising Drive	23	24	25 WCEO CLOSED	26	27
28	29	30 WCEO CLOSED	31			 Happy Holidays