

4-H FAMILY



MONROE COUNTY

APRIL 2023

NEWS

2023 4-H SHOW DATES

Public Presentations Show
Thursday, March 30, 6:30 p.m.
Monroe County Annex

4-H County Horse Show
Sunday, May 13, 9:00 a.m.
(*subject to change due to weather)
Monroe County Fairgrounds

Food Demonstration Show
Monday, June 5, 7:00 p.m.
Monroe County Annex

Show-A-Rama
Saturday, June 24, 8:30-10:30 a.m.
Immanuel Lutheran Church, Waterloo
Project Recognition - 12:30p.m.

Monroe County Fair
July 23-30
Monroe County Fairgrounds

Monroe County Day at IL State Fair
Saturday, August 12
Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield

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Monday- Friday: 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.
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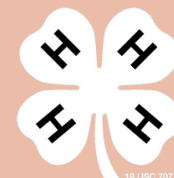
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4-H SHOWBOOK

The 4-H Showbook is ready to view with show dates and project guidelines:
<https://go.illinois.edu/Showbook-General>

This Showbook contains guidelines for
**Public Presentations, Horse Show, Food Demo Show and Show-A-Rama
(general projects).**

*Monroe County Fair classes including Horticulture, Crops and Livestock will be provided to families at a later date.

Information to register to exhibit your projects at shows will be provided to you as we draw closer to Show season. Please watch your email for updates.

4-H SHOW REQUIREMENTS

Please remember that to show projects at the County and State levels, you must meet the following requirements:

- Attend at least four meetings during the 4-H year.
- Give a talk or demonstration.
- Enroll in 4-H by January 1, 2023.
- All livestock project members must show their leader an in-progress Livestock Record Book at their May, June, or July Club meeting before the county fair.

RECORD KEEPING & AWARD APPLICATIONS

The 2023 Award Applications are available on our website:

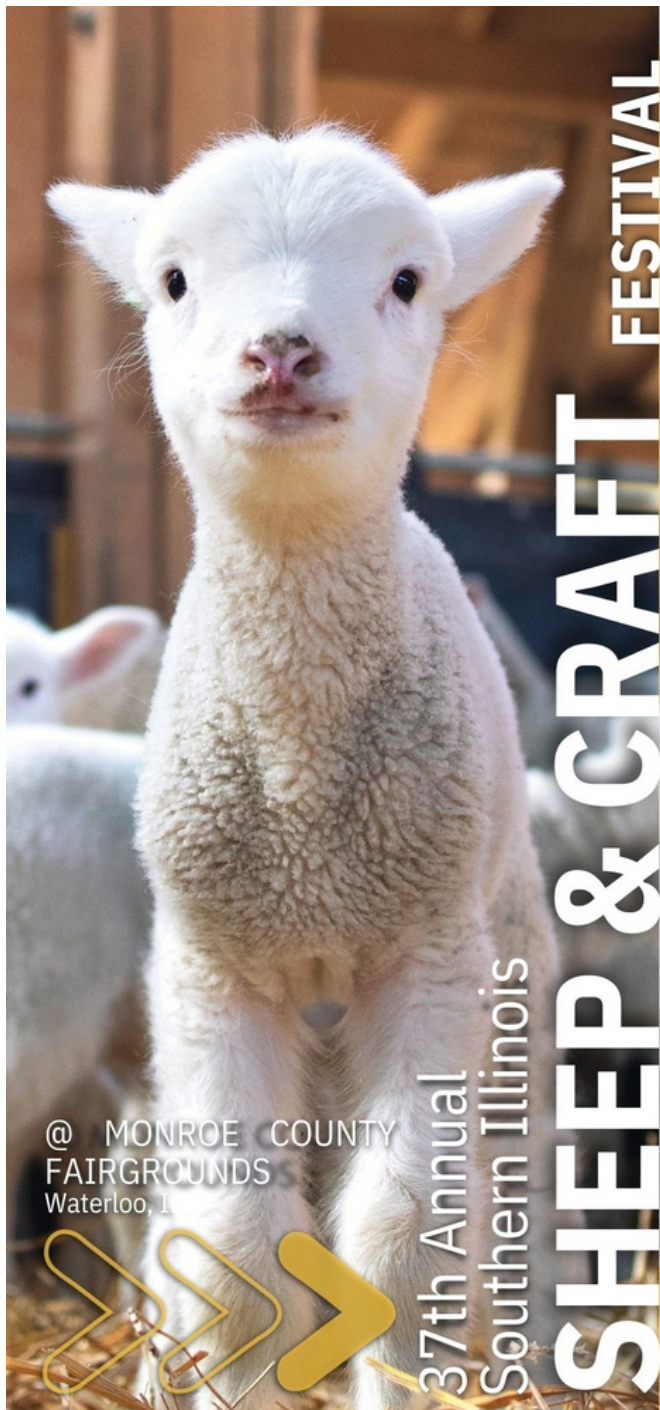
https://go.illinois.edu/Monroe_AwardApp

These are due September 15!

You can also continue to keep track of your 4-H activities with the 4-H
Experience log:

<https://go.illinois.edu/MyExperienceLog>





SATURDAY APRIL 8 2023

SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY:

>> KIDS CORNER / GAMES & ACTIVITIES

Hosted by: *Monroe County 4-H Federation*

>> BALLOON ARTIST • 11am-1pm

>> JUDGING CONTEST BEGINS • 9:00am

open to all youth ages 8-19 *please sign-up prior to contest*

>> WOOL-PULL Pedal Pull

Hosted by: *Monroe County FB Young Leaders*

Registration/Kids Corner @ 10am

Pull starts @ 11am under the large pavilion
{Contestant weight limit~35-120lbs.}

>> SHEARING DEMOS • 9:30 - 1:30 • hourly

>> WORKING SHEEP DOGS • 11am & 1pm

Exhibition by *Robin Reasoner*

{dogs on grounds approx. 10am to 2pm}

>> LUNCH • 11am - 1:30pm

CARRYOUT with Dine-in areas available

Sampler plate featuring locally grown Lamb -

1 Chop + Brat + Shaved Leg + Burger w/2 sides

ALL DAY DISPLAYS:

Spinning, Knitting & Weaving

Demos Sheep Breeds

Antique Tractor Display:

- Open to all makes & models
- Contact Tricia Lutman at 618-830-2183 or email: info@mcsheepproducers.com

Local **Lamb Cuts** available to Purchase

- Vacuum sealed for your freezer & available to purchase on the day of the event

Lamb Cuts - **Advanced Orders:**

- Contact Tricia Lutman at 618-830-2183 or email: info@mcsheepproducers.com

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JUNIOR NATURALIST 4-H CLUB

Explore Nature through 4-H

FIRST MEETING: APRIL 8, 2023



9:00 a.m

BAEBLER EDUCATIONAL FARM

4028 JJ RD., WATERLOO

Activities will include learning about stream monitoring, tree id, native/invasive plants, butterflies and pollinators, wild birds and more!



Open to youth ages 8-14

Space is limited to 10 participants

\$20 program fee

Contact Kelly at kmbrandt@illinois.edu

or 618-939-3434



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4-H SHOOTING SPORTS: AIR RIFLE

FIRST MEETING: SATURDAY, MAY 6, 8:00AM.

BAEBLER EDUCATIONAL FARM (BACK PAVILION)

4028 JJ RD. WATERLOO

This Shooting Sports Club is a great opportunity for beginners!

Limited to 10 participants (ages 8-18).

Air rifles and safety equipment are provided or you can bring your own.

This club is led by a Certified 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor.

Please contact Kelly Brandt at kmbrandt@illinois.edu or 939-3434 if you are interested in joining this Special Interest Club.



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4-H Teens as Teachers Informational Meeting

Please join us for a 4-H Teens as Teachers informational meeting on Wednesday, April 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the Monroe County Annex Building.

We will be going over what Teens as Teachers is as well as answering any questions you have!

What is Teens as Teachers?

- University of Illinois Extension 4-H Program and the Monroe County Ag in the Classroom are partnering to teach youth about agriculture.
- This program is open to teens 14-18 years old.
- Teen Teachers will be required to complete 8 hours of training and 8 hours of volunteer teaching in order to complete the program

As a member of the Teens as Teachers team...

- You will be a role model for young kids who share your passion!
- You will expand your own knowledge by preparing lessons and teaching the material to youth.
- You will get practical training that you can use in college, in your career, and throughout life.

If you are interested, please fill out this survey



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PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS SHOW

Congratulations to the following 4-H members who participated in the county Public Presentations Show and were selected to advance to the state show on April 29 in Champaign:

Oscar Hoerr - Oral Interpretation - "It's Not Over Until I Win"
Maya Woodard - Illustrated Speech - "History of the Quarter Horse"
Sydney Woodard - Illustrated Speech - "Physical Therapy for Horses"
Excellent job everyone!



LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Great job to all of the 4-H members that participated in the Waterloo FFA Livestock Judging Contest on March 18.

Special recognition also goes to Emma Schultheis for her participation at the DuQuoin Livestock Judging Contest and to Jackson Klinkhardt for competing in the judging contest at the Illinois Beef Expo!



MONROE CO. HOOFEATS COMPETITION TEAM HEADED TO STATE!



L-R: Maya Woodard, Mallory Paur,
Nora Moore, Julia Muertz,
CeCe Cox, Sydney Woodard

The Monroe County Hoofbeats Competition Team had successful results at the Regional Horse Bowl & Hippology Contests at SIU-Carbondale.

Both the Junior and Senior teams will advance to state for horse bowl competition.

Juniors Horse Bowl- 1st place

Seniors Horse Bowl- 2nd place (undefeated)

Each participant ranked in the top 10 for individual Horse Bowl.

Seniors ranked 3rd and 4th and Juniors all ranked in top 8 for the Hippology portion, and all qualified for State.

We wish them the best of luck as they compete on April 22-23!

Ag Tech
SCIENCE
CAMP

**JUNE 12-18
AND JULY 17-23**

REGISTRATION WILL REQUIRE ATTENDANCE BOTH WEEKS

9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

**CAMP SESSIONS WILL ALTERNATE DATES BETWEEN:
BAEBLER EDUCATIONAL FARM, 4022 JJ RD., WATERLOO
AND THE THE JACKIE JOYNER-KERSEE (JJK) YOUTH CENTER
PLUS FIELD TRIPS ON FRIDAYS!**

***TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED TO JJK CENTER & FIELD TRIPS FROM WATERLOO**



LEARN ABOUT THE ROLE
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY PLAYS
IN AGRICULTURE THROUGH
HANDS-ON FIELD ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING
PLANTING/OBSERVING
DIFFERENT TYPES OF CORN,
USING DRONES, COLLECTING
DATA, LEARNING FROM
SCIENTISTS AND MORE!

FREE TO YOUTH AGES 12-15

SNACKS/DRINKS PROVIDED

REGISTER: [HTTPS://GO.ILLINOIS.EDU/AGTECHSCIENCECAMP](https://go.illinois.edu/agtechsciencecamp)

BY MAY 15

LIMITED TO 15 YOUTH





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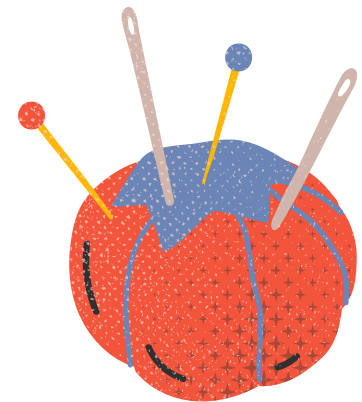
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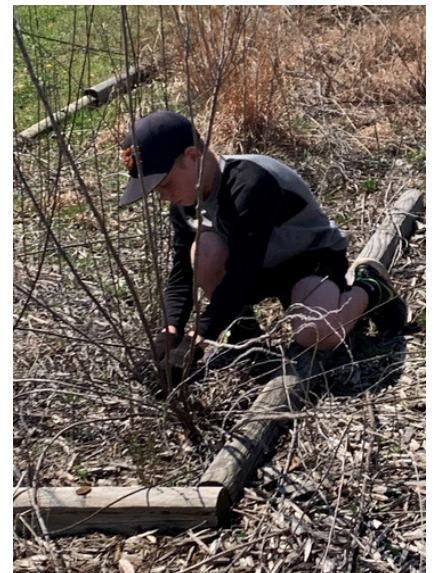
Members of the new 4-H Sewing Club are learning many new skills with the help of Monroe County HCE volunteers. Participants have learned hand sewing, measuring and more in their first two meetings, completing pincushions, windsocks and eye masks.

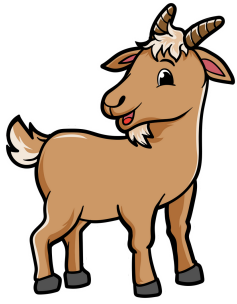


BAEBLER EDUCATIONAL FARM GARDEN CLEAN UP



Special thanks to **Debbie and Braydon Eckart (Lucky 4-H)** and **Sarah, Luke and Tessa Kolweier (Golden Eagles)** for helping clean up the garden areas at Baebler Educational Farm! We appreciate your hard work!



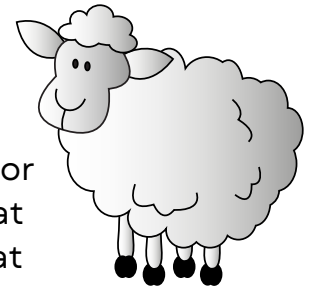


GOAT & SHEEP WEIGH-IN

SATURDAY, May 6, 8:00 a.m.

Goats will weigh first, followed by sheep.

If you plan to show and sell a market lamb and/or goat at the Monroe County Fair, your lamb/goat MUST participate in the weigh-in. We hope that exhibitors can be present for the weigh-in, however, if you are unable to attend, make sure your lamb(s)/goat(s) are there to be weighed.



COUNTY & STATE HORSE SHOWS

Monroe County 4-H Horse Show

Saturday, May 13, 9:00 a.m.

Monroe County Fairgrounds

Open to all 4-H members enrolled in a horse project.

Check out the 4-H Showbook for class information and requirements:

<https://go.illinois.edu/Showbook-General>

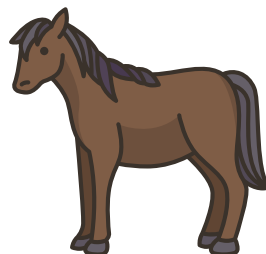
(Registration details coming soon!)

Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show

July 23-29, IL State Fairgrounds

Ownership and/or lease paperwork must be placed on file at the local University of Illinois Extension office by May 15. In addition to the ownership/lease papers, two photos, one of each side of the animals will be mandatory for all horse and ponies, grade and registered animals. We strongly encourage members, if they own or lease more than one horse, to file paperwork on ALL potential exhibit horses by the deadline. If a horse is injured or dies, it may be replaced ONLY by a horse whose paperwork is already on file by the deadline. A horse may only be owned or leased to, and exhibited by ONE 4-H or FFA member at the State Fair

Junior Horse Show. Download the forms @
https://go.illinois.edu/Horse_Ownership_Lease





MONROE CO. EXTENSION & 4-H EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: April 15, 2023

Applicants must be seniors in high school who have not reached their nineteenth birthday on or before September 1, 2022, and must have been enrolled and active in a 4-H club program for at least four consecutive years. The applicant must be a resident of Monroe County and or reside in the Waterloo, Columbia, Valmeyer, or Red Bud School districts.

4-H members can only receive the Scholarship once. Applicants must be accepted into or be attending a post-high school education program.

The application is available at: <https://go.illinois.edu/MoCoFoundationScholarship>.

LESTER & LUCILLE KORSMEYER SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: April 15, 2023

Requirements:

- A high school senior who has been actively involved in 4-H for a minimum of four years
 - A permanent resident of Madison, St. Clair or Monroe County
- The applicant will be chosen based on several criteria including a minimum 3.0 GPA based on a 4.0 scale, history of 4-H involvement and other school and community activities.



LIVESTOCK & HORSE RECORD BOOKS

Record Books should be shown and signed by your leader at your May, June, or July club meeting before the fair. (Horses-prior to May 4-H Horse Show.)

***NEW: Members must complete a livestock record book in 2023 to be eligible to sell in 2024, except for new members.**

The PDF versions of the books are found here: <https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord>
They may be filled in on your computer, or you may print them off and fill it in by hand (neatly).

The Instruction Guide is found here: https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord_Guide to help you through the process of filling the book out.

Books are due to the Extension office by September 15 for evaluation.

LIVESTOCK AUCTION

To participate in the youth livestock auction, sponsored by the Monroe Co. Extension & 4-H Education Foundation, youth must meet the following requirements:

- Be a 4-H or FFA member age 8-19 on or before Sept. 1 of the previous year.
- Be a Monroe County resident and/or reside within the Waterloo, Columbia, Valmeyer or Red Bud school districts.
- Be a member of the Monroe County 4-H club and/or FFA Chapter in the Waterloo, Columbia, Valmeyer or Red Bud school districts.
- Attend at least 4 meetings during the 4-H year
- Give a talk or demonstration.
- Enroll in 4-H by January 1, 2023.
- All livestock project members must show an in-progress Livestock Record Book to their Leader at their May, June or July Club meeting prior to the county fair.
- ***NEW: Members must complete a livestock record book in 2023 in order to be eligible to sell in 2024, with the exception of new members.**
- ***NEW: Exhibitors may sell TWO of any species, beef, sheep, swine, goat, rabbit, poultry or dairy basket.**
- ***NEW: Dairy cattle and dairy goat exhibitors showing 2 or more dairy animals are eligible to auction a dairy basket of products or certificates with a minimum value of \$50.**
- If a 4-H or FFA member receives Grand Champion and/or Reserve Champion in any specie area, they will have the opportunity to sell the Grand or Reserve Champion regardless of the number of other species they plan to sell, as long as all of the additional sale requirements are met.

A FULL LIST OF ADDITIONAL AUCTION & SHOW REQUIREMENTS ARE POSTED IN THE 4-H FAIR SHOWBOOK



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🌱 Applications are open for the NEW Illinois 4-H Influencers team!

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Are you ready to try a social media career on for size? Applications are open for the NEW Illinois 4-H Influencers! On this team, you will receive university-level social media management training as you get hands-on experiences and portfolio pieces for college/future careers in this awards-eligible statewide leadership team. You'll also strengthen your communications and marketing experiences ahead of college, award, and job applications. Apply here: go.illinois.edu/IL4HInfluencers

REGISTER NOW! ILLINOIS SUMMER ACADEMIES WILL BE BACK ON THE UIUC CAMPUS

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Participants attend academy sessions led by university professors and enjoy a variety of engaging activities that provide a taste of just how cool college life can be.

Imagine getting to work alongside university professors while you're still in HIGH SCHOOL! Imagine spending four days with kids your age from all across Illinois. That's what happens at Illini Summer Academies, so stop imagining it and just do it! This program offers teens the opportunity to explore various degree programs of University of Illinois and learn of potential careers associated with those degrees. Register on ZSuite:

<https://4h.zsuite.org/event-registrations/18940>

4-H BY THE DECADES 2000'S

We are seeking Illinois 4-H History from our 4-H alumni by the decades! Join us to visit about how 4-H impacted your life during the 2000s growing up in the Illinois 4-H program. We will also be seeking photos of special memories, mementos, and awards of each decade to share on a new Illinois 4-H History website to be developed. Share with us your 4-H story!

Register by Friday, April 21 - <https://form.jotform.com/230640697701153>

The link will be sent to registered attendees on Monday, April 24.

Sponsored by the Illinois 4-H Alumni Association



JOIN THE SPEAKING FOR ILLINOIS 4-H TEAM

We're looking for 4-H members interested in spreading the great news about 4-H. 4-H members 14 years of age or older can join the Speaking for Illinois 4-H team.

There will be a virtual training offered on Monday, April 10.

This virtual training, provided by the Illinois State 4-H Youth Leadership Team, gives you the chance to explore your own 4-H history and why you are involved, put that story into words, and learn the best ways to approach donors, civic groups, elected officials, and others to talk about 4-H. Learn why 4-H believes in Positive Youth Development and how we emphasize the essential elements of Belonging, Independence, Generosity and Mastery. All of this – and more – is a part of Speaking for Illinois 4-H! Once you're trained, you'll receive an invitation to be a part of our Legislative Connection events.

Registration is open NOW at <https://4h.zsuite.org/event-registrations/20152>.

Registration will close April 7.



EXPLORE 4-H: CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Are you ready to help shape the next generation?

Learn about careers in the child development field while you learn best practices for caring and working with children in our upcoming virtual webinar on May 11 from 6pm-7pm. In just an hour you can grow your understanding on how kids grow while you learn safe ways to care for children, including making appropriate games and toys to engage youth of different ages. Ready to start exploring? Watch for registration info coming soon!

This webinar is part of the Explore 4-H series which consists of virtual statewide experiences for 4-H members to learn more about different areas of interest.



4-H MEMORIAL CAMP

Are you ready to get outside for a fun family weekend? We are kicking the summer off with Family Camp at 4-H Memorial Camp. Your family will get to stay in their own cabin, have all meals provided from Friday Dinner through Sunday Lunch, and get to participate in all the fun activities we have planned including swimming, boating, fishing, arts & crafts, zip lining, rock climbing, fun S.T.E.M. activities, hikes, tie-dying t-shirts, building model rockets and so much more!



Dates: May 19-21, 2023

Fees:

Cabin Rental- \$215

Participant Fee- 8 years old and older: \$84/person

4-7 years old: \$56/person

Under 3- No Charge

*At least one child must be 4-H Age (5-18)

Each cabin has 10 beds

More information and registration forms can be found on the 4-H Memorial Camp Website <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-memorial-camp/4-h-family-camp>

If you have any questions, please contact:

Monika Hammerschmidt hammersc@illinois.edu (217) 762-2741

or Andy Davis ardavis1@illinois.edu (217) 762-2741

You can find pictures of last year's Family Camp on our Facebook Page.

Come see for yourself what everyone is talking about!

Summer Youth Camp at 4-H Memorial Camp

There are still spots available for Summer Youth Camp, June 30-July 4 at 4-H Memorial Camp. Check-out is at 11am on July 4th so you can still celebrate the Holiday! We anticipate all spaces filling. Details and a link to the online registration are available at <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-memorial-camp/4-h-summer-camp-programs/4-h-memorial-summer-camp>. There is also information concerning placing your child on the waiting list for one of the full weeks should any space open up. Please contact Monika Hammerschmidt hammersc@illinois.edu, (217) 762-2741 with any questions.

Fall Family Camp at 4-H Memorial Camp

We just opened Spring Family Camp registration and everyone is already excited about the Fall Family Camp as well! Dates for the Fall Family Camp are Sept. 8-10, 2023. Registration will open Monday, June 5th with Fall registration materials available on our website starting that morning. Spring registration is currently open. <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-memorial-camp/4-h-family-camp>





CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 8 9:00 a.m., Southern IL Sheep Fest Youth Sheep & Goat Judging Contest
- April 8 9:00 a.m., Junior Naturalist Club begins, Baebler Educational Farm
- April 11 6:30 p.m., 4-H Leader Meeting, Monroe County Annex
- April 19 Teens as Teachers Info Night
- April 28 Monroe County 5th Grade Conservation Day, Waterloo Sportsman's Club
- April 22-23 State Horse Bowl, Hippology & Speech Contests
- April 29 State Public Presentation Contest, Parkland Comm. College, Champaign
- May 2 5:00 p.m., Teens as Teachers Training
- May 6 8:00 a.m., Market Lamb & Goat Weigh-in, Monroe Co. Fairgrounds
- May 6 8:00 a.m., Air Rifle Club begins, Baebler Educational Farm (back pavilion)
- May 13 9:00 a.m., 4-H Horse Show, Monroe County Fairgrounds
- May 20 4-H Day with the Cardinals, Busch Stadium, St. Louis, MO
- June 5-8 Youth Cooking School, St. Paul UCC, Columbia
- June 12-18 9:00 a.m., Ag Tech Science Camp (2nd session: July 17-23; must attend BOTH)
- June 24 8:30 a.m. Show-A-Rama, Immanuel Lutheran Church Hall, Waterloo
- June 25-29 4-H Illini Summer Academies
- June 26-30 Outdoor Adventures Camp, Baebler Educational Farm
- June 26-29 Youth Cooking School, Immanuel Lutheran Hall, Waterloo
- July 17-20 Youth Cooking School Food Challenge, Immanuel Lutheran Hall, Waterloo
- July 23-30 Monroe County Fair, Monroe County Fairgrounds
- August 12 Monroe County Day at State Fair, Illinois State Fairgrounds-Orr Bldg.



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