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MONROE COUNTY 4-H Family News



4-H AUGUST EVENTS NOTICE:

- **August 1-15: 4-H clubs of up to 10 people may meet in person outdoors if everyone practices social distancing.**
- **August 16-31: 4-H clubs of up to 10 people may meet in person indoors OR 25 people may meet outdoors if every-one practices social distancing.**

If clubs are unable to meet these guidelines, they are encouraged to consider meeting virtually by Zoom meetings.

All program participants and staff will be required to practice social distancing measures, including wearing a face covering.

Over the course of the fall, Illinois Extension will continue a phased return to in-person programming to ensure that proper safety protocols, space management plans, and public health requirements are fully adopted by the organization.

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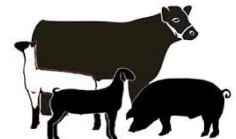
VIRTUAL STATE 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Great job to the following members that participated in the State Livestock Judging Contest that was held online in June:

Juniors: Hudson Brandt, Parker Brandt, Maya Woodard, Sydney Woodard

Seniors: Cassie Allscheid, Krista Allscheid, Josh Middendorf

A **SHOUT OUT** to the Senior Team that placed **8th** in the contest!



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Monday- Friday: 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.
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“To Make the Best Better”

Virtual 4-H Horse Show

Eleven 4-H members participated in the virtual 4-H Horse Show:

Emma Carter, Talia Carter, Jada Casto, Braelynn Hoffmeister, Madylin Horvath, Jack Huebner, Lindsey Lester, Kayleigh Luter, Madelynn Mohr, Annika Olson and Rori Unger

Participant videos can be viewed here by clicking on names:

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



Great job everyone! You all did an amazing job!

Virtual 4-H Crops & Horticulture Show

Four 4-H members participated in the virtual 4-H Crops & Horticulture Show:

CROPS

***Caleb Seboldt**: Crops-Corn

HORTICULTURE

Ava Brand: Vegetable Gardening-Peppers & Green Beans

***Garrett Brandt**: Vegetable Gardening-Peppers & Green Beans

***Riley McDermott**: Vegetable Gardening-Snow Peas & Squash

(*indicates State Fair advancement)

Participant exhibit photos can be viewed here by clicking on names:

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



“To Make the Best Better”

Virtual 4-H Livestock Show

Sixty-six 4-H members participated in the virtual 4-H Livestock Show with beef, dairy, goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine in 219 classes!

We are proud of everyone for taking advantage of these unique show opportunities this summer!

Participant videos and photos can be viewed here by clicking on names:

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



Ben Whelan: Goat-Buck Kid



Emily Vogt: Sheep-Ewe Lamb



Emma Schultheis: Beef-Sr. Heifer Calf



Luke Kilhafner: Poultry-Pullet



Ashley Hartman: Dairy-Fall Yearling Heifer



Natalie Finke: Rabbit-Jr. Doe



Wyatt Olson: Swine-Market Barrow

“To Make the Best Better”

Self-guided Butterfly Festival

(Learn about native bees and flowers, too!)

Aug. 15-Sept. 30

participate at your leisure

Earlier participation should ensure more butterfly activity

Baebler Educational Farm
4022 JJ Road, Waterloo

Hours: 8am-7pm

**Activity bags available at
the Baebler Farm kiosk**



For more information, search
"Baebler Educational Farm" on
Facebook (scan the QR code
above to get there instantly),
or call 618-939-3434

Included in Your Activity Bag:

- **Baebler Farm map**
 - Explore hiking trails and points of interest
- Native plant guides
- **Youth Activities**
- Pollinator scavenger hunt
 - Challenge yourself to see what you can find
- Photo contest information
 - Win prizes!



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University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.
If you need reasonable accommodations to participate, contact the Extension Office at 939-3434.

LIVESTOCK & HORSE RECORD BOOKS:

- The PDF version of the books are found here: <https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord>
- They may be filled in on your computer, or you may print it off and fill it in by hand. Please remember to be very neat if writing.
- The Instruction Guide is found here: https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord_Guide to help you through the process of filling the book out.
- **Record Books are due to the Extension office by September 15, 2020 for judging.**

4-H Award Applications Available to Download Now!

The following updated documents have been posted to our website: https://go.illinois.edu/Monroe_AwardApp under "County Awards."

- **2020 Award Application**
- **Award Application Tip Sheet**
- **Award Application Example (NEW!)**

Award Applications are due SEPTEMBER 15.

CLUB Documents due September 15:

Treasurer Books and Secretary Books

Note: Treasurer Books MUST be signed by the treasurer and audited/signed by 3 additional people.

These books must be turned into your leader for their review and signature.

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/Treasurer%20Book.pdf>

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/Secretary%20Book.pdf>

Club Scrapbooks

May include digital photo montages

State Awards

Illinois 4-H Experience Award Application

The **Illinois 4-H Experience Award Application** focuses on all of those events and activities that you have experienced during the 4-H year in four areas: *Participation, Community Service, Leadership, and Project Learning*. Depending upon the type and number of experiences you can report on, members can receive recognition on the Bronze, Silver, Gold, Diamond or Emerald Clover Award level. Your family calendar, 4-H notes or county summary, checkmarks, and a few written details are all that's needed for even the youngest members to submit this application. This application can be found @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/awards>. Due to the county Extension office by Oct. 15.

Illinois 4-H Scholarship

The **Illinois 4-H Scholarship** is a merit-based scholarship to award outstanding work in project areas. Five \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in each of the following categories: Animal Science, Civic Engagement/Global Living, Creative Performing Arts & Communication, Food Systems, Healthy Living/ Nutrition, Leadership, Natural Resources & Environmental Science, Personal Growth and STEM/Robotics. The deadline to apply is November 1. Apply online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships .

CLUB RECOGNITION AWARD

Is your 4-H Club doing outstanding work in the areas of Community Service, Leadership or Project Mastery?. If so, you should apply for the Illinois 4-H Club Award! Clubs receiving this award will receive a \$75 cash incentive and an award certificate. This is also a great tool to set goals and plan for the upcoming 4-H year. This application can be found @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/awards>.



Each 4-H member has a story to tell and are eligible for our 4-H awards program – tell YOUR stories and see where they take you!

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JUNIOR LIVESTOCK EXPO

- Sept 11-13, 2020 (beef / sheep / dairy goats / pygmy goats / rabbits / poultry)
 - Sept 18-20, 2020 (swine / dairy cattle / meat goats)
- Open to ages 8-21. Held at Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, IL.

This is not a 4-H sponsored activity but may be of interest to you enrolled in related 4-H project areas.

For more information: <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Documents/20%20JrLivestock.pdf>



ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JUNIOR HORSE SHOW

- August 29-30, 2020 (English Show Portion)
- September 5-6, 2020 (Western Show Portion)
- Open to ages 8-21. Held at Du Quion State Fairgrounds, Du Quion, IL

This is not a 4-H sponsored activity but may be of interest to you enrolled in related 4-H project areas. For more information: <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Documents/20%20JrHorse.pdf>

CLUB RESOURCES

The Illinois 4-H Website has all of the resources and forms needed to guide 4-H club officers, committees, and members as they plan for the new 4-H program year.

Go to go.illinois.edu/IL4H

Click on the **Clubs** tab.

Scroll to Meeting Resources near the bottom of the page

Find these helpful documents:

Club Meeting Agenda_ this fillable form is a useful fill-in-the-blank form your club officers can use as they plan each section of the meeting. This useful form provides them with the meeting structure they can use to identify who from the club should be in charge of each potential item that may be included in a meeting.

Club Committee Planning Worksheet – the Committee Planning Worksheet is an excellent tool to give to committee members as they plan club events and activities.

Club Yearly Program Plan – this helpful tool guides the club officers and club members as they identify club goals to work toward during the year and brainstorm what programs, events and/or activities to plan for the club to engage members in fun, hands-on learning experiences throughout the program year.

More – Don't forget to download your new secretary book, treasurer book, tips for good club meetings, tips for using the 4-H name, and more other important resources.



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