



4-H FAST FACTS



A Newsletter for **Macoupin County 4-H Families**

April 2022



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Top Public Presentations: Braylee Gilmore, Heidi Kahl, and Reese



March 24, 2022 Contest Participants: Paige, Jaxson, Braylee, Heidi, Reese, Maria, Todd, Judge John Henry, and Peter

Macoupin County 4-H Public Speaking Contest



State Fair Delegates (Left):
Braylee, Heidi, and Reese

State Fair Alternates (Right): Peter, Paige, and Maria

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To keep up with 4-H happenings in Macoupin County, including workshops, check us out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/macoupin4h>



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National 4-H Youth Summit for

Agri-Science is a pioneer in the National Youth Summit Series, bringing together teen agriculture and science leaders from across the country to focus on learning about and solving agri-science issues impacting communities and the economy. Anthony Joiner, Luke Wolff, and Saralynn Joiner represented Macoupin County Illinois 4-H!

4-H National Conference:

Anthony and Saralynn Joiner represented Illinois 4-H (Macoupin County) at 4-H National Conference in Washington DC. Youth delegates work together in the four weeks prior to the conference to prepare briefings on important topics. During the conference, delegates virtually present their prepared briefings to federal officials in Washington, D.C. 4-H youth also have the opportunity to engage in personal development experiences that increase their knowledge, resources, and skills while discussing topics affecting youth and 4-H programming nationwide.



4-H Spring Grab and Go Art Kits: Check out the adorable No Sew Bunnies created by some talented 4-H members!



MACOUPIN 4-H WEEK

April 17-23, 2022

SUN
MON
TUES
WED
THURS
FRI
SAT

- Apr 17 - MAKE A SIGN SUNDAY**
Display a 4-H sign or make one of your own
- Apr 18 - SOCIAL MEDIA MONDAY**
Showcase your 4-H Love on Social Media
- Apr 19 - TASTY TUESDAY**
Share a snack or meal with friends or family
- Apr 20 - 4-H SPIRIT DAY WEDNESDAY**
Wear green or a 4-H shirt
- Apr 21 - THANKFUL THURSDAY**
Write a thank you note to a volunteer or 4-H supporter
- Apr 22 - FRIENDSHIP FRIDAY**
Reach out to a friend and tell them about 4-H
- Apr 23 - COMMUNITY SERVICE SATURDAY**
4-H National Day of Service
Help a neighbor or friend

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NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

Celebrate Service 

Macoupin County 4-H Week April 17-23.
Spread the word about 4-H! Send your 4-H Club Promotions to harding@illinois.edu by April 25

Macoupin County 4-H

4-H NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE

CLEAN-UP CARLINVILLE

Organized by Crazy Clovers 4-H



PLEDGE YOUR HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE

Help Pick-Up Litter around Town!

Join us for picking up litter and help clean up Carllinville.
Get a little exercise while cleaning up your neighborhood.

Sunday, April 24 at 1PM
Meet at Carllinville Moose Parking Lot

Register by April 19 at:
<https://extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/events>

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Back by Popular Demand! **19th Annual** 
4-H DAY WITH THE Cardinals

4-H members, alumni, family, and friends are invited to join University of Illinois Extension in partnership with University of Missouri Extension for a (hopeful) Cardinal win against the San Francisco Giants!



May 14
1:15PM
\$25/ticket
*All sales final

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 1 @ 11:59PM

- Participate in the parade on field prior to the game.
- Shirt included in ticket price.
- Additional raffle tickets available for \$1.00. 1st prize is to throw out the first pitch (4-H members only). Additional prizes include tickets to a future game and autographed baseballs (no exclusions for additional prizes.)

Register here: <https://go.illinois.edu/4HCardinals2022>

*Please note - groups that wish to sit together **MUST** submit one order.

TICKETS AND T-SHIRTS WILL BE MAILED OUT THE LAST WEEK OF APRIL!

Ticket/t-shirt questions? Contact *Rhonda Shafer* at shaferr@missouri.edu
Parade/raffle questions? Contact *Dave Hileman* at hilemand@missouri.edu



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University of Missouri

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Dog Care Workshop

April 2
2-3 PM
Steinmeyer Vet Clinic
195 State Rte 4 - Staunton

Join Dr. Alyson Steinmeyer as she discusses the following topics:

- Basic Dog Care
- Healthy Food Choices
- Vaccinations
- Safe Playtime
- Clinic Tour
- Q&A

 Register by March 31:
go.illinois.edu/macdogcare 



UIS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Career Exploration

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION TOUR

Theater Arts

April 7
6:30 - 8 PM

Sangamon Auditorium
1 University Plaza, Springfield, IL 62703

Ages 8-18
Families are welcome to attend!

 go.illinois.edu/cjmmuistour





4-H VIRTUAL CAREERS DISCUSSION

Christian, Jersey, Macoupin, Montgomery 4-H

April 14 | 7-8pm
Open to 4-H members in Unit 18

We will have a variety of speakers in different career fields that are going to discuss what it is like to do their job!

Register: go.illinois.edu/cjmmCareersDiscussion



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Join Macoupin County 4-H 

PACE THE PLAZA WALKING CLUB

FREE AGES 8-18

go.illinois.edu/macwalkingclub

 **April 25, May 2, May 9**
from 3:30 - 4:30 PM 



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Premium checks from Fair 2021 have been mailed.
Please cash them as soon as possible!

4-H PROJECT SELECTION

DEADLINE: APRIL 15

Add/Drop Projects

April 15 is the last day to add/drop and enroll in 4-H in order to exhibit at fair 2022.

il.4honline.com

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4-H MANUALS!

Next Order:

March 15

Please let us know if you need a manual.



Email: lklaus@illinois.edu or call
217-854-9604

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THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE (A NEW) HOME.



WE ARE MOVING TO A NEW WEBSITE!
VISIT YQCAPROGRAM.ORG TO LEARN MORE.

YQCA YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS

New YQCA System is LIVE

Effective March 23, Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) has moved to a new website: yqcaprogram.org. If you still need to complete your certification to show at the fair this year, please follow the instructions sent to you to create a new account and complete your training.

Deadline to be eligible to show at the fair: May 1.

(BEEF, SHEEP, GOAT, DAIRY, SWINE)

Quality Assurance & Ethics Certification is mandatory for all horse, rabbit, poultry, and companion animals. The website is now open. All county and state horse and dog exhibitors must complete QA&E Certification via this site one time during their showing career. Those that have completed it in the past do not have to complete it again.
<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>



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**BECOME A
4-H TEEN TEACHER**

Grow your leadership potential - Learn something new - Teach others - Give back



SUMMER 2022

<p>CAMP PANTHER (Litchfield) Wednesday, June 1 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Macoupin County Extension Office</p>	<p>WORKING WITH CLOVERBUDS Wednesday, June 1 1:00 - 4:00 PM Macoupin County Extension Office</p>
<p>Thursday, June 2 9:00 - 12:00 PM Montgomery County Extension Office</p>	<p>Thursday, June 2 1:00 - 4:00 PM Montgomery County Extension Office</p>

4-H BUDDY (Mentor Training)
Tuesday, May 31
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Montgomery County Extension Office


May 7 | 9:00 AM
Food Packaging Event
Unit-Wide Community Service



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REGISTER
go.illinois.edu/cjmmteenteachertraining

OPEN TO AGES 13+



FREE OF COST
Lunch Provided*

QUESTIONS?
Email marten1@illinois.edu

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REAL COLORS

Open to all 4-H members, age 13-18
Counts at unit-wide leadership training for end-of-year award applications

Saturday, May 28, 2022 11:30 - 2:30 PM
Montgomery County Extension Office

Learn how to better work with others and be a leader by learning about your own personality and how you view and interact with the world around you.

Register by Wednesday, May 18
Cost: \$15
Lunch and all supplies included.



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4-H Leader Meeting

APRIL 5

7PM



Location: Extension Office
60 Carlinville Plaza-Carlinville
Call-In Option Available



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4-H Federation Meeting

APRIL 24

4:30PM



Location: Extension Office
60 Carlinville Plaza-Carlinville



Macoupin County 4-H Fair & Show Dates 2022

June 4-Mac Co Fairgrounds

4-H Dog Show-9:30am

4-H Cat Show- 11am

4-H Small Pets- 12:15pm

4-H Cloverbuds

June 6 - 530pm-Mac Co Fairgrounds

4-H Livestock Shows
(Mac Co Fairgrounds)

June 7-Sheep 9:30am

June 8-Swine 9am

June 9-Beef 10am Dairy 12:30pm

June 10-Poultry 9am Goats 1:30pm

June 11- Rabbits 9am

Unit 18 4-H Horse Show

June 11—Gillespie Lake Horse Arena

4-H Clothing Show

June 21—6pm-Extension Office

4-H Foods Show

June 24-9am-Carlinville Cross Church

4-H General Projects Show

June 28-9am-Carlinville

MACOUPIN COUNTY 4-H TOP SHOTS



Archery 2022



April 25
May 9
May 23
June 20
July 11
July 25
Aug 8
Aug 22

Macoupin County Fairgrounds
Carlinville
See E-mail for Shooting Times

Aug 28
Fall Classic-Brittany Shooting Park

MACOUPIN COUNTY 4-H TOP SHOTS



Rifle/Shotgun 2022



May 5
May 19
June 2
June 30
July 7
July 21
Aug 4
Aug 18
Aug 28 (Fall Classic)

6:30pm
Brittany Shooting Park
Bunker Hill

4-H INTERNATIONAL



Host an international youth this summer

International students come to IL each summer and stay with a host family for about 4 weeks. Host a Japanese or South Korean youth this summer through States' 4-H International! Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly learn a new language, all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country, too! Families are needed for July 23 through August 18 (tentative dates). Applications are accepted until all placements are made. There is no cost for this program.

Students are matched with a host sibling by age gender and interests. So families hosting, must have a child the between 12-18.

Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process, as well as student availability and personality compatibility.

For more information or to apply, visit: <http://www.states4hexchange.org>.

Find us on Facebook @ [facebook.com/illinois4hexchange](https://www.facebook.com/illinois4hexchange)

OR

Contact Illinois S4-H Coordinators: Miriam Rosenbohm @ rosenbohm07@comcast.net or Elisha Hughes @ ehugh2@illinois.edu.

MEMORIAL CAMP

Family Camp Spring 2022

Family Camp is back for 2022! If you have been hearing about how much fun families had at 4-H Memorial Camp last summer and wanted a chance to experience it yourself, now is your chance. May 20-22, 2022 we will be holding a Spring Family Camp weekend. 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, rock climbing, fun S.T.E.M. activities, hikes, etc. You can find pictures of last year's Family Camp on our [Facebook Page](#).

Dates: May 20-22

Fees:

Cabin Rental - \$210

Participant Fee - 8 years old and older: \$81/person

4-7 years old: \$54/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/programs/camping/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

Come see for yourself what everyone is talking about!



MEMORIAL CAMP



4-H Memorial Camp Summer Youth Camp

Registration for our Summer Youth Camps at 4-H Memorial Camp is underway! We still have spaces for female campers for each session. We have filled all of our spots for male campers but have started waiting lists for each session in case any spots open up. You do not need to be a 4-H member to attend.

Camp Dates

- June 5-9, 2022
- June 12-16, 2022
- July 5-9, 2022
- July 17-21, 2022

Program details and registration materials are available on our website: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-summer-youth-camp>

To see pictures of past youth camps, please visit our [Facebook](#) page.

If you have any questions or would like to get your male camper on a waiting list, please contact: Monika Hammerschmidt hammersc@illinois.edu or Andy Davis ardavis1@illinois.edu (217) 762-2741

4-H Memorial Camp- Summer Employment

We are still looking for additional camp staff and counselors! If leading activities for youth campers, being a role model, working outdoors and interacting with your peers sounds like your kind of job, then you may be one of the people we are looking for. Apply to work with us this summer as we get back to Summer Youth Camping.

Arts & Crafts program staff (18 years old minimum)

Dates: Mid May-July 29

Details: This paid position includes room and board.

Cabin Counselors (16 years old minimum)

Dates

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|----------------|----------------------|
| May 31-June 4 | Training |
| June 5-9 | Youth Camp Session 1 |
| June 12-16 | Youth Camp Session 2 |
| June 26-July 1 | Camp Corral |
| July 5-9 | Youth Camp Session 3 |
| July 17-21 | Youth Camp Session 4 |

Details: This paid position includes room and board for the above session dates.

Kitchen Workers (Hourly positions)

Dates: End of May through Mid-August

Duties: Wash dishes, sweep/mop floors, help with setup/cleanup of meals, and other duties as assigned. Breakfast/Lunch and Afternoon/Dinner shifts.

Additional details and application materials can be found on the 4-H Memorial Camp [website](#) towards the bottom of the page under *4-H Resources*; Contact Andy Davis ardavis1@illinois.edu, (217) 762-2741 with any questions.



SHOOTING SPORTS

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS ADULT VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION TRAININGS

Registration details coming in January, but save these dates:

Sat., May 7, 2022 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL
(central Illinois)

Sat., July 16, 2022 Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona, IL
(N.W. Illinois)

Questions? Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu.



NATURAL RESOURCES



GET YOUR TACKLE READY - 2022 4-H Sport Fishing Virtual Monthly Challenges Coming Soon!

State 4-H Fishing Tournaments Ready to Go!

Easy to enter, easy to win! April 1-30 is crappie time. Learn rules and how to enter here:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-hooks-us-together-fishing-tournament>

Open to all current year 4-H members, but new rod & reel prizes **only** for 4-H members registered in the 4-H Sport fishing project for the 2021-2022 year. Entries just require a phone, tape measure and then upload information to: <https://go.illinois.edu/fish4H>

April – Crappie State 4-H Tournament

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament



Shop 4-H

Did you know you can shop Illinois 4-H branded apparel? Head to our Illinois pop-up shop and scroll to the bottom of the page! shop4-h.org/collections/illinois-virtual-pop-up-shop



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4-H at Home

How do you teach kids what data is? Show them. In the latest 4-H at Home activity, kids can learn exactly what the internet is with the help of augmented reality to visualize all those bits and bytes.

[Get started here.](#)

https://4-h.org/about/4-h-at-home/internet-basics/?utm_campaign=4HatHome



4-H Equity Challenge

Join the 4-H Equity Challenge! Individuals or teams of 2-3 youth ages 13 – 19 will identify problems, define answers, and develop digital media projects that outline possible solutions, empowering teens to become effective change agents and equity leaders in their communities. Participants will present their project in a local or state 4-H Challenge event for an opportunity to win \$500+. [Learn more here.](#)

<https://4-h.org/parents/true-leaders-in-equity/true-leaders-in-equity-institute/application/>

True Leaders in Equity Institute

Empowering youth/adult teams to be change agents within the Cooperative Extension System, this training and leadership opportunity on July 11-14 in Bethesda, Maryland challenges participants to work together to ideate and champion equity-related projects that will grow 4 H in their communities. National 4-H Council will provide up to 20 scholarships to exemplary application submissions. Apply by June 6. [Register Now.](#)

<https://4-h.org/parents/true-leaders-in-equity/true-leaders-in-equity-institute/application/>



Save the Date: 4-H Virtual PYD Academy on Youth Mental Health

4-H youth development can play an important role in supporting youth mental health, but many 4-H professionals are uncertain of how to provide 4-H programs around this topic.

Join the 2022 4-H PYD Virtual PYD Academy on Youth Mental Health to better understand the current landscape of youth mental health, the supporting role of 4-H and personal competencies for effective PYD practice. [Learn more here.](#)

<https://helping-youth-thrive.extension.org/4-h-pyd-academy-on-youth-mental-health/>



mark your calendar!



2022 State Event Dates

April

- April Crappie State 4-H Tournament
- April 6 and 7 Legislative Connection
- April 9 Awards Ceremony
- April 16 Robotics Competition
- April 23 & 24 State Horse Bowl, Hippology & Horse Speaking Contests
- April 23 True Leaders day of service day
- April 30 State Public Speaking– Champaign (Parkland College)

May

- May Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament
- May 7 Adult Shooting sports leader certification 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL

June

- June Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament
- June 5 - 9 Memorial Camp
- June 12 - 16 Memorial Camp
- June 20 State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest: U of I Stock Pavilion

July

- July 5-9 Memorial Camp
- July 16 Shooting Sports Adult Certification Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona,
- July 17 - 21 Memorial Camp
- July 24 - 30 Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show

August

- August 10 SYPA General Livestock
- August 12 - 14 State Fair Junior Livestock Shows
- August 13 - 15 Illinois State Fair
- August 20 State Superior Young Producer Contest Dairy
- August 20 State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest
- August 27 State 4-H Dog Show: Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center