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

August/September 2019



Macoupin County State Fair Day– August 12

Congratulations to all of our 4-H members who exhibited their 4-H projects at this year's Illinois State Fair. Thanks to all our leaders and families to help make this year a success! Keep up the good work and cant wait to see what 2019-20 has in store!!

NEW EXTENSION WEBSITE LAUNCHED

Please be patient as we roll over the new Extension website. Things look different, but we can still meet your online needs. Please note the new page address:

<https://extension.illinois.edu/cjmm>

<https://extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/4-h-macoupin-county>



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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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State Fair Results 2019-Macoupin County

Alexander	Behme	Robotics Innovation Class	Outstanding		Reserve	
Tyler	Behme	Advance Visual Programming	Outstanding	Champion		
Claire	Behme	Chalk/Carbon/Pigment-Div A	Outstanding	Champion		
Mary	Behme	Outdoor Adventures 1-3	Outstanding			
Marissa	Box	Leadership 1	Outstanding		Reserve	
Lillian	Burris	Food Decorating-	Outstanding			
Grace	Burris	Shopping in Style:Beginning	Participant			
Lucas	Camerer	Welding	Outstanding			
Savannah	Carle	4-H Cooking 201	Outstanding	Champion		Inspire
Summer	Carol	Clay	Participant			Inspire
Caleb	Cloninger	Photography 1	Participant			
Ethan	Cloninger	Vegetable Plate	Outstanding			
Trace	Cummings	Electricity 1	Participant			
Darcy	Cummings	Veterinary Science	Participant			Inspire
Madalyn	Dugan	4-H Cooking 101	Participant			
Samantha	Fulton	Animal Science	Participant			
Braylee	Gilmore	Creative Writing	Outstanding			
Wyld	Gilmore	Model Rocketry	Participant			
Makenna	Harding	Health 1	Participant			
Payton	Harding	Health 1	Participant			
Logan	Helling	Passport to the World-Indiv	Outstanding	Champion		
Alexandria	Helling	Forests of Fun 2	Outstanding	Champion		
Tori	Hester	Creative Writing	Outstanding			
Lexi	Hester	Leadership 2	Outstanding		Reserve	
Reese	Heyen	STEAM Clothing 1-Sewn NonCloth	Outstanding		Reserve	Inspire
Paige	Horstmeyer	Leadership 2	Outstanding	Champion		Inspire
Peter	Jarden	Soybeans	Participant			
Saralynn	Joiner	Design Decisions-Beginning	Outstanding	Champion		
Anthony	Joiner	Welding	Participant			
Carter	Joiner	Wildlife 1	Participant		Reserve	
Hallee	Kaburick	Design Decisions-Beginning	Participant		Reserve	
Emma	Kallal	Floriculture D	Participant			Inspire
Iris	Lamm	Chalk/Carbon/Pigment-Div A	Outstanding		Reserve	
Abigale	Landes	Weather and Climate 1	Participant			

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Rachel	Leggett	Fiber	Participant			
Mason	Lockwood	Paper	Participant			
Emma	Mathis	Passport to the World-Indiv	Outstanding			
Brendon	Mosby	Beekeeping 1	Participant			Inspire
Alexia	Mosby	Beekeeping 1	Participant		Reserve	
Carter	Murphy	Wildlife 1	Participant	Champion		
Aidan	Noblet	Entomology 1	Participant			
Alexandria	O'Shea	Scrapbooking-Beginning	Outstanding		Reserve	
Riley	Owsley	Advance Visual Programming	Outstanding		Reserve	
Gabe	Pauline	3-D Design/Mixed Media	Participant			
Carly	Rhodes	Photography 1	Participant			
Riley	Rhodes	Photography 1	Participant			
Mylee	Ribble	Model Rocketry	Outstanding		Reserve	
Allison	Rosentreter	Heritage Arts	Participant			
Melanie	Soto	Wildlife 1	Participant			
Frank	Titus	Tractor A	Participant			
Kayleigh	Trimm	Glass/Plastic	Outstanding			Inspire
Joscelyn	Wagner	Computer-Generated Art	Participant		Reserve	
Josephine	Williams	STEAM Clothing 1-Sewn NonCloth	Outstanding			
Braley	Wiser	4-H Cooking 201	Participant			
Luke	Wolff	Woodworking 2	Outstanding	Champion		
Rachel	Wolff	Nature	Outstanding	Champion		



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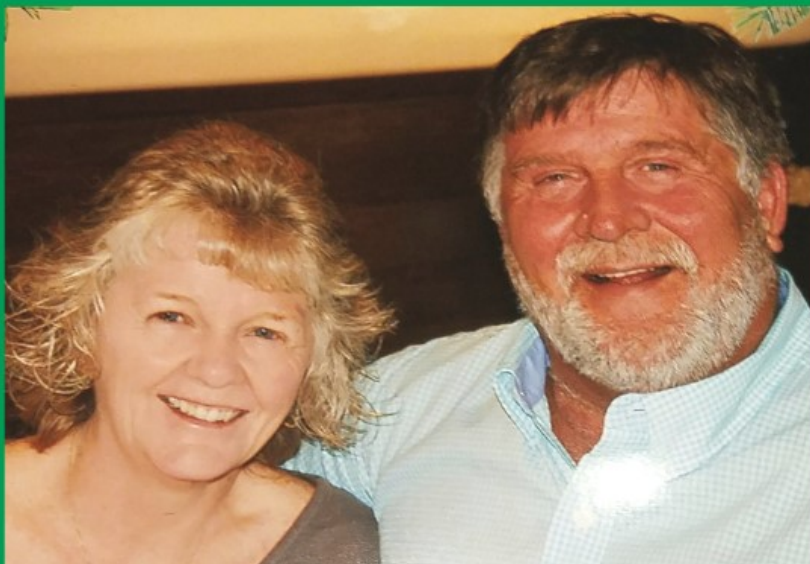
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4-H Volunteers & Leaders of Piasa Birds



8/13/2019

Kim & Kevin Albert

Congratulations!
2019 Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame
Thanks for your support, time, and energy over the years!

Congratulations to Kim & Kevin Albert of Piasa Birds for being inducted into the Class of 2019 Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame! Kim and Kevin have been valuable volunteers for Macoupin County 4-H for over 20 years. Kim was a 10 year 4-H member of the Piasa Birds herself and was able to give back and carry on the Piasa tradition, becoming the leader of the club. Kim and Kevin love that 4-H teaches youth life skills, public speaking, and helps build friendships that last a lifetime. We thank them for the fun and memories they have shared with so many over the years in 4-H.

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4-H Rifle Members



4-H Archery Members



4-H Shotgun Members

That's a Wrap on the 2019 4-H Top Shots Season! Thanks to all our members who participated and to our wonderful volunteers Amy, Mark, John, Tony, Greg, and Jenny who donated countless hours and much energy to this year's youth!



UNIT 18 FALL CLASSIC-AUGUST 25



County Shoot Top Archers



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4-H YOGA FOR KIDS

Learn Basic Yoga Poses
Learn Wellness Techniques
Pledge your Health to Better Living
Guided by Fitness Trainer Lisa Ogden

D&D FITNESS
25 CARLINVILLE PLAZA

\$5

/class

THURSDAY, SEPT 19
6-7 PM

Register by calling 217-854-9604 or register online at
<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/macoupin4h/>

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Multi-County Community
Service Opportunity

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

CHRISTIAN • JERSEY • MACOUPIN • MONTGOMERY
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT



Saturday, October 19

9:00 - 9:30 AM

Lincoln Land Community College - Litchfield, IL

Help us create care packages that will be sent to recent
4-H alumni that are in college during their midterm exams!

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

FUN SIZE CANDY BAR/SNACKS INDIVIDUAL DRINK MIXES
USB DRIVES \$10 GIFT CARDS CELL PHONE CHARGERS

Drop off donated items at your local
Extension office by Oct. 17 or bring Saturday morning.

Register online at <https://extension.illinois.edu/cjmm>

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4-H Officer & Leaders Training

Open to all 4-H volunteers and 4-H club
officers in Christian, Jersey, Macoupin
and Montgomery Counties

Learn more about your role and take
home helpful information to improve
your clubs throughout the new 4-H year!

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HEART



HANDS



HEALTH

Register by October 17th
online at:
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needs.

Saturday,
October 19th

9:30 - 11:30 AM

Lincoln Land Community
College - Litchfield
Campus

Tree Identification Workshop 2019

4-H Projects: Forestry &
Natural Resources

FREE
AND
OPEN TO THE
PUBLIC!

Youth Ages
8-18

This session will be focused towards
youth - youth groups and individuals are
encouraged to attend. Come learn how
to identify trees in your community.

2:00 - 4:00 P.M.

BLACKBURN COLLEGE
AUXILIARY DINING ROOMS
DEMUZIO CAMPUS CENTER

CARLINVILLE

Oct. 14

Register online at go.illinois.edu/cjmm or by calling
Macoupin County Extension Office at 217.854.9604.
Registration is preferred by September 26

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4-H OUTDOOR ADVENTURE & SURVIVAL SKILLS SPIN CLUB

LEADERS: LISA & ERIC OGDEN

**OCTOBER 13
NOVEMBER 10
JANUARY 12
FEBRUARY 9
MARCH 8
APRIL 5
MAY 3**

**LOCATION: CARLINVILLE AREA
YOUTH AGES 8-18
SPACE IS LIMITED
\$20 PER PERSON**

YOUTH WILL LEARN BASIC OUTDOOR SAFETY AND SURVIVAL SKILLS, TREE AND PLANT IDENTIFICATION, NAVIGATION POINTERS, AND MUCH MORE!

To register call the Macoupin County Extension Office at 217-854-9604 or online at <https://extension.illinois.edu/cjmm>

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4-H Sewing Club

Staunton

Join Lisa Coan for sewing instruction and guidance in a variety of simple projects.

Meeting Dates:
Oct 14 Nov 11
Dec 9 Jan 13
Feb 10 March 9

4:30-5:45 pm Mondays

Cost:
\$10 Youth Members
\$20 Youth Non-members

2019 Youth Ages 8-18

A parent or youth helper must stay with youth.
Location: Assembly Church, Rt. 4 Staunton
To Register Go Online:
extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/4-h-macoupin-county
Or call 217-854-9604

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macoupin county 4-H Robotics TEAM

Hands-On Learning with
LEGO Mindstorm EV3 Kits

2019-2020

Youth Ages 8-18

EXPLORE ROBOTICS

in many new, fun, & exciting ways

Join the 4-H Robotics Team
Led by Greg & Stefanie Behme
Team will meet October-May 3-5pm
Oct 13*Nov 10*Dec 14*Jan 12*Jan 26*Feb 9*Feb 23*March 8*March 22*April 5*April 19

Sign up today:
Register Online under Events at <https://extension.illinois.edu/cjmm>
Or call 217-854-9604

Held at **Macoupin County Extension**
#60 Carlenville Plaza, Carlenville

COST:
4-H Member- \$10
Non-4-H Member- \$20

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4-H Teens as Teachers Led

4-H Honeybee Challenge

Learn about the importance of pollinators in our daily lives!

**Monday, November 11
9:00-10:00 am**
Extension Office- 60 Carlenville Plaza-Carlenville

Participants will learn about pollinators, specifically honeybees, and explore how and why they pollinate through a hands-on activity. For youth ages 8-18. There is no fee for this workshop.

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INSPIRED TO LEAD CALLED TO SERVE

Information to make your new year sparkle!

It's the new 4-H year, and we've got lots of things to get the new year started! We've added four new projects: Child Development, Sports Nutrition, Family Heritage, and Visual Arts Leather! Our theme for the year and National 4-H Week is **Inspired to Lead | Called to Serve**. Download the new Project Guide @ go.illinois.edu/4Hprojectguide. 4-H Online new year enrollment begins September 7.



National 4-H Week is our time to tell the world about 4-H. This year's theme, **INSPIRED to LEAD | CALLED to SERVE**, captures what it means to be a 4-H member. You are encouraged to find ways to celebrate October 6 – 12. Use the hashtag #inspiredby4H and #inspiredtoLEAD as you share your 4-H activities on social media. Watch our Facebook page for contests all week long.

Just the help you need for your 4-H club

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



SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE

Nominate an outstanding volunteer

The Illinois 4-H program is built on the work of amazing volunteers, and we look forward to recognizing our volunteers for what they do! The National 4-H Council sponsors the Salute to Excellence Award Program that targets 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism. Nominate outstanding local volunteers for consideration by contacting the Extension office.

The award categories are:

- **Volunteer of the Year** – recognizing individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for less than 10 years at the local, county, region, and state level.
- **Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer** – recognizing individuals who have served 10 or more years at the local, county, region or state level.

Nominations are due to the State 4-H Office by **Friday, October 18, 2019**.



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Register today for fall shooting sports contests

This is the final call for youth wishing to compete in the 2019 State 4-H Shooting Sports contests.

- State 4-H Shotgun Contest will be held Sept. 14 at Brittany Shooting Park near Bunker Hill. Register @ go.illinois.edu/4Hshotgun before Sept. 6.
- State 4-H Archery Contest will be held Sept. 21 at the Pekin Archers near Pekin. Register @ go.illinois.edu/4Harchery before September 6.
- State 4-H pistol and rifle contest will be held October 12 & 13 at CIPS near Bloomington. Register @ go.illinois.edu/4Hpistol or go.illinois.edu/4Hrifle before September 20.

Age Requirements for the State Shoots:

- Participants must be enrolled members of an active 4-H Shooting Sports Club for the 2019-20 year, so it is important youth re-enroll as soon as the new year begins in September.
- Youth may only compete in the discipline for which they have received instruction from a certified 4-H volunteer instructor. For example, youth who are members of a shotgun club led by a state-certified shotgun instructor cannot register for the pistol contest unless they have also participated in supervised instruction from a state-certified 4-H pistol instructor.
- Minimum Age: Youth must be at least 14 years of age by Jan. 1, 2020 to compete.
- Maximum Age: Youth must be no older than 18 on Sept. 1, 2019 to participate.
- To be selected for the national competition team, youth must not turn 19 before Jan. 1, 2020. Thus, youth in their final year of 4-H who turn 19 in September, October, November, or December 2019 may participate in the state contest but cannot be selected for the national contest.

Become a certified 4-H shooting sports instructor

Help ensure young people are exposed to everything the outdoors and shooting sports has to offer by becoming a certified 4-H shooting sports volunteer.

- Your first stop is the local Extension office where staff will discuss the current program in our county.
- Complete the required application and background checks. Volunteers must be at least 21 years of age.
- Pay the \$60 registration cost that covers three meals, snacks, instructor curriculum, hat, and all necessary equipment and materials for the training.
- Staff will complete your registration. Registration is due October 9.
- Attend certification training from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, October 19 at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Do not bring firearms or bows. Do bring eye and ear protection.
- Complete additional online training.
- Check back in with the county Extension staff to begin volunteering.

There are six concentrations of study, and volunteers must choose only one discipline: archery, rifle, shotgun, pistol, and hunting and outdoor skills, as well as the overall county coordinator training. Remember, volunteers will work with their local Extension 4-H staff to establish or add to an existing shooting sports program in the county. Learn more about the Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports program at: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/shooting-sports>.

Who will win \$5,000?

The Youth in Action Award honors four 4-H members who have gained critical life skills through their 4-H experience and have used those skills to overcome a challenge or challenges they have faced. Each of the honorees epitomize 4-H youth empowerment and leadership. In addition, the winners have demonstrated the positive impact they've made with their family, peers, and community through their 4-H experiences.

Nominate outstanding 4-H members in four different categories: Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM. Each winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship for higher education, be featured as the 4-H youth spokesperson for their pillar area, receive an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to be recognized at National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards, and network with celebrities and prominent 4-H alumni. Learn more at <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/>. Deadline for application is October 21.



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Inspire your club to promote 4-H during National 4-H Week

- Have a flag-raising ceremony at a local bank, park, business, veterans club or school.
- Attend a city council meeting and have the mayor/councilmen sign the Proclamation.
- Give presentations at schools, home school organizations, and youth-serving agency boards.
- Have members bring projects and speak at local civic organizational meetings.
- Host a project fair for the community to see work of 4H members and recruit new members.
- Have a poster contest with your members, then display them in local business windows.
- Ask banks to include a bookmark or flyer about 4-H at their drive-thru facilities.
- Host a special interest workshop open to the community sponsored by 4-H:
 - ⇒ Emergency Preparedness Meeting
 - ⇒ CPR
 - ⇒ Weather Spotters
 - ⇒ Bicycle Safety
 - ⇒ Internet Safety
 - ⇒ Teen Driver Safety
- Host a quiz night—Are You Smarter than a 4-Her?
- Sponsor a dance for Jr. High youth.
- Promote 4-H livestock projects at the feed store.
- Promote 4-H foods projects at the grocery stores.
- Promote 4-H entrepreneur projects at the banks.
- Promote 4-H family projects at the doctor offices.
- Host a blood drive.
- Host a fun run.
- Promote 4-H technology projects at the electronic/phone/computer stores.
- Host a “My 4-H Word Is _____” event in your community.
- Promote 4-H on local advertising signs, billboards, church message boards.
- Present a puppet show about how good it feels to be in 4-H.
- Start an email chain letter—What did you gain in 4-H? and distribute it to your contacts lists, then watch it spread.
- Take a plate of 4-H cookies to local businesses with an appreciation poster for them to post.
- Write letters to your congressional leaders about how important 4-H is to you.
- Take thank you flowers to all your club leaders.
- Hold a 4-H talent show and invite the public.
- Host a 4-H fun day with games and prizes for families.
- Have a day to wear a 4-H shirt to work or school.
- Have a county-wide community service day and have the members all report back what they did, then prepare an impact story about how important 4-H service is.
- Plant a tree in honor of 4-H.
- Have your 4-H flag displayed with the American flag at sporting events during the week.
- Carry groceries for customers at a store.
- Create a county 4-H alumni club and solicit names through the paper and newsletter.
- Hold a dinner where everything made must come from a 4-H Food Project Manual.
- Hold a health fair where all the exhibits have something from a 4-H project or activity—for example, nutritional food labels, fitness, safety goggles when mowing, anti-bullying, safe driving.
- Carve pumpkins with a 4-H logo and take them to area homes, businesses.
- Post 4-H alumni signs, National 4H week signs, or join 4-H signs in the yards of current or past 4-H members.



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NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

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Take a trip across the globe

Visit exciting new places as part of the 2020 States' 4-H International Exchange program. Check out this line-up:

- Costa Rica: June 18 – July 17. Cost \$1,775 (plus airfare \$800 to \$1,300). Ages: 15 – 18.
- Japan: July 8 – August 6. Cost \$2,725 (plus airfare \$1,700 to \$2,600). Ages: 12 – 18.
- Japan: June 18 – August 6. Cost \$3,875 (plus airfare \$1,700 to \$2,600). Ages: 12 – 18.
- Norway: June 24 – July 24. Cost \$2,200 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,000). Ages 15 – 18.
- South Korea: July 15 – August 13. Cost \$2,430 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,300). Ages 12 – 18.
- Taiwan: June 28 – July 28. Cost \$2,200 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,300). Ages 12 – 18.
- Romania: June 24 – July 24. Cost \$1,775 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,000). Ages 15 – 18.

The first deposit and application are due December 1. Second deposit is due February 1. For more information, check out their website @ states4hexchange.org/.



Paper Clover Campaign returns in October

Dates for the Fall Paper Clover Campaign, held in conjunction with Tractor Supply Stores and National 4-H Council, are October 9 - 20. Money donated during the campaign STAYS in that local county. The campaign runs twice a year.

Award deadlines moved up to November 1

IMPORTANT: The state deadline for the following awards has been changed to November 1. Don't miss your chance to apply. Award applications are available online at go.illinois.edu/4Happly for:

- Key Award
- Experience Award
- State 4-H Award
- Vet Science Award
- 4-H Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award

The deadline for **state scholarship** has also been changed to November 1. Apply online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships for these scholarship opportunities:

- Legacy of Leadership Scholarship
- Livestock Scholarship



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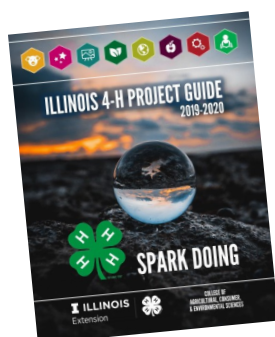
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mark your calendar!



September 6	DEADLINE: Shotgun registration due
September 6	DEADLINE: Archery registration due
September 7	4-H Online is Open for Enrollment for 2019-20 4-H year
September 13 – 15	Family Camp at 4-H Memorial Camp
September 14	State 4-H Shotgun Shoot, Bunker Hill
September 19	4-H Yoga Workshop at 6pm D&D Fitness-Carlinville
September 20	DEADLINE: Rifle and Pistol registration due
September 21	State 4-H Archery Shoot, Pekin
October 5	State 4-H Awards Reception, by invitation only
October 6 – 12	National 4-H Week: Inspired to Lead } Called to Serve
October 9 – 20	Fall Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply stores
October 12-13	State 4-H Rifle & Pistol Shoot, Bloomington
October 14	Tree ID Workshop, Fall Fun Workshops
October 18	DEADLINE: Salute to Excellence nominations due
October 19	Field Certification Training for 4-H Shooting Sports volunteers
October 19	Unit 18 4-H Officer's & Leader's Training 9:30-11:30am LLCC Litchfield
October 21	DEADLINE: Youth in Action award applications due
November 1	DEADLINE: for all state awards, including Key Award, Experience Award, State 4-H Award, Vet Med Award, and the Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award.
November 1	DEADLINE: for all state scholarships, including Legacy of Leadership and Livestock Scholarships
November 11	Honeybee Challenge Workshop 9-10, Extension Office
November 15	4-H Achievement Night– Elks Carlinville



Illinois 4-H Project Guide: is Ready to View!

Get from your club leader, the Extension office, or go
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<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/projects>