



# 4-H FAST FACTS



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

February 2020



## 4-H Federation Youth Winter Fun Activity-Jan 19

4-H Federation members used teamwork and problem-solving skills to have a successful escape from The Beast Escape Room in Glen Carbon.

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**Christian, Jersey,  
Macoupin &  
Montgomery Counties**

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## 4-H ART SPIN Began Jan 25

Suzi Humphreys will be sharing her passion for the arts with 4-H members during this 4-H ART SPIN Club. This year members will be focusing on painting techniques and color.

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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Braylee Gilmore, Crazy Clovers  
Emerald-Leadership



Allie Helling, Bunker Hill Livewires  
Emerald-Leadership



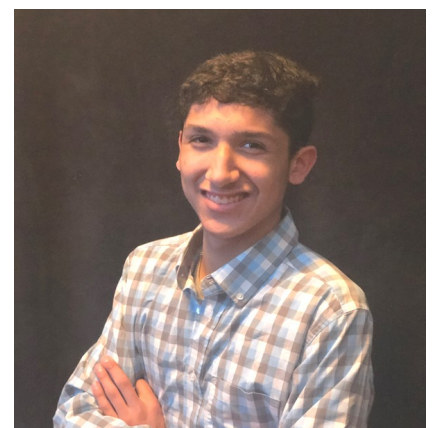
Logan Helling, Bunker Hill Livewires  
Emerald-Leadership



Anthony Joiner, Fantastic Fours  
Emerald-Leadership



Saralynn Joiner, Fantastic Fours  
Emerald-Leadership



Gabe Pauline, Crazy Clovers  
Emerald-Project Learning



Luke Wolff, Bunker Hill Livewires  
Emerald-Project Learning

**2019 4-H Experience Award  
Emerald Winners**  
**Congratulations on your  
hard work during the  
2018-19 4-H year!**  
State 4-H Awards Banquet  
will be March 14, 2020

**In Champaign, IL!**



Rachel Wolff, Bunker Hill Livewires  
Emerald Leadership

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JOIN CRAZY CLOVERS 4-H CLUB AND  
PLEDGE YOUR HANDS TO LARGER  
SERVICE

St. Louis Children's Hospital has been a saving grace for some of our very own Macoupin County 4-H members, so now they would like to help other kids who are currently seeking medical treatment at Children's.

## CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL SUPPLY DRIVE



### County-Wide Community Service

Club with most  
donated items  
will receive a \$50  
Dairy Queen  
Gift Card



**FEB 1- FEB 28**

**DROP OFF AT:  
60 CARLINVILLE  
PLAZA,  
CARLINVILLE**

CHILD LIFE SERVICES  
TOP 10 WISH LIST  
(MUST BE NEW ITEMS)  
SMALL GIRLS TOYS (FIGURINES)  
MARKERS & COLORED PENCILS  
GIFTS FOR TEENAGERS (TECH  
ITEMS/BATH AND BODY)  
INFANT TODDLER TOYS  
SMALL BOTTLES OF ACRYLIC PAINT  
LEGO SETS  
CANVASES  
ACTION FIGURES  
UNO & OTHER CARD GAMES  
EARBUDS/HEADPHONES

For questions regarding this Community Service Activity, please contact Angela or Robin at [wercrazyclovers@gmail.com](mailto:wercrazyclovers@gmail.com)

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4-H MEMBERS EXHIBITING ANIMALS ENTERING THE FOOD PRODUCTION SYSTEM WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMAL CERTIFICATION (YQCA). THE TRAINING MUST BE COMPLETED ANNUALLY.

#### Jersey County Extension Office

Monday, January 20  
9:00 am - 10:00 am  
&  
10:30 am - 11:30 am  
201 W. Exchange St. - Suite A  
Jerseyville, IL

#### Macoupin County Extension Office

Thursday, February 6  
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
#60 Carlinville Plaza  
Carlinville, IL 62626

#### Montgomery County Extension Office

Saturday, March 14  
9:30 am - 10:30 am  
#1 Industrial Park Drive  
Hillsboro, IL 62049

#### Christian County Extension Office

Saturday, April 25  
9:30 am - 10:30 am  
1120 N. Webster St.  
Taylorville, IL

Register online at:  
<https://yqca.learnrow.io>

Cost - \$3

Instructor - Sara Marten, 4-H Youth Development Educator

## Required for 4-H Members showing live animals: Beef, Dairy, Goats, Sheep, or Swine.

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# GROW A PIZZA

## JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER 4-H SPIN CLUB

PARTICIPANTS WILL GROW THEIR OWN PIZZA USING SKILLS DEVELOPED IN HANDS ON LEARNING ACTIVITIES. YOUTH WILL START SEEDS INDOORS, PLANT A CONTAINER GARDEN, PLAN AND PLANT AN OUTDOOR GARDEN, HARVEST, AND USE THEIR GOODIES TO MAKE THEIR OWN PIZZA.

MARCH 19  
6 - 7 PM  
MACOUPIN COUNTY EXTENSION

APRIL 23  
6 - 7 PM  
MACOUPIN COUNTY EXTENSION

MAY 28  
9 - 10:30 AM  
CAREY FARM-PALMYRA

JUNE 18  
9 - 10 AM  
MACOUPIN COUNTY EXTENSION

JULY 23  
9 - 10 AM  
CAREY FARM-PALMYRA

AUGUST 6  
10:30 - NOON  
CAREY FARM-PALMYRA

\$10 4-H  
\$20 Non-4-H

REGISTER ONLINE AT: [EXTENSION.ILLINOIS.EDU/CJMM](http://EXTENSION.ILLINOIS.EDU/CJMM)  
OR CALL 217-854-9604 Ages 8-18

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## 4-H BAKING WORKSHOP



**FEBRUARY 13 (THURSDAY)  
6:00 - 7:00 PM  
MACOUPIN COUNTY  
EXTENSION OFFICE**

**Cost \$5**

**AGES  
5-7YRS  
&  
8 - 12YRS**

Register online at  
<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/events>  
or call 217-854-9604.

**Youth will make a special  
treat to take home!**

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**4-H Day**

### Blackburn College Men's Basketball

February 15  
3pm

LOCATION: Blackburn Gym  
700 College Ave  
Carlinville, IL



Join us for 4-H Day at Blackburn College Men's Basketball on Saturday, FEB 15 at 3pm, as the Men's Basketball Team takes on Webber University! Come show your support for the Blackburn Beavers. Come as a club or come with your family. Wear your 4-H Shirt, Red, or Blackburn gear if you got it. RSVP to the Extension office by calling 217-854-9604 or register online by Feb 10.

Participation "County" - Participated in a county 4-H activity or event

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**Ronald  
McDonald  
House  
Meal  
Prep**



**4-H Federation Community Service Meal Prep  
at Ronald McDonald House in Springfield**

**March 7 at 4pm**

**March 15 at 4pm**

**Sign up by calling 217-854-9604 (13 and above)**

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Macoupin County 4-H

## Public Speaking Contest

Thursday, March 26 at 6 p.m.

Extension Office, Carlinville

Register online by March 6 at  
[web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/](http://web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/)

### Categories:

Formal Speech

Illustrated Speech

Original Works

Oral Interpretation

Must be a current 4-H member to participate

All 4-H members welcome!

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## 4-H RECYCLED ART

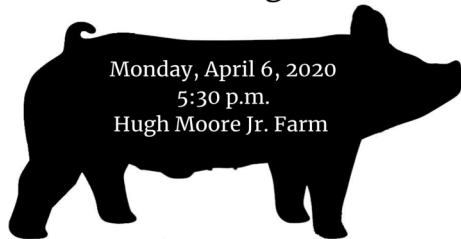
HULA HOOP RUG WEAVING WITH  
KAREN KING **\$5.00**  
Ages 8-18

Monday, March 2 10-11:30am  
Macoupin Co. Ext. Office



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### Jersey County 4-H Swine Weigh-in

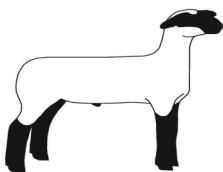


Monday, April 6, 2020  
5:30 p.m.  
Hugh Moore Jr. Farm

RSVP to Jessica at 618-498-2913 or [jjaffry@illinois.edu](mailto:jjaffry@illinois.edu)

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### Jersey County 4-H Sheep Weigh-In



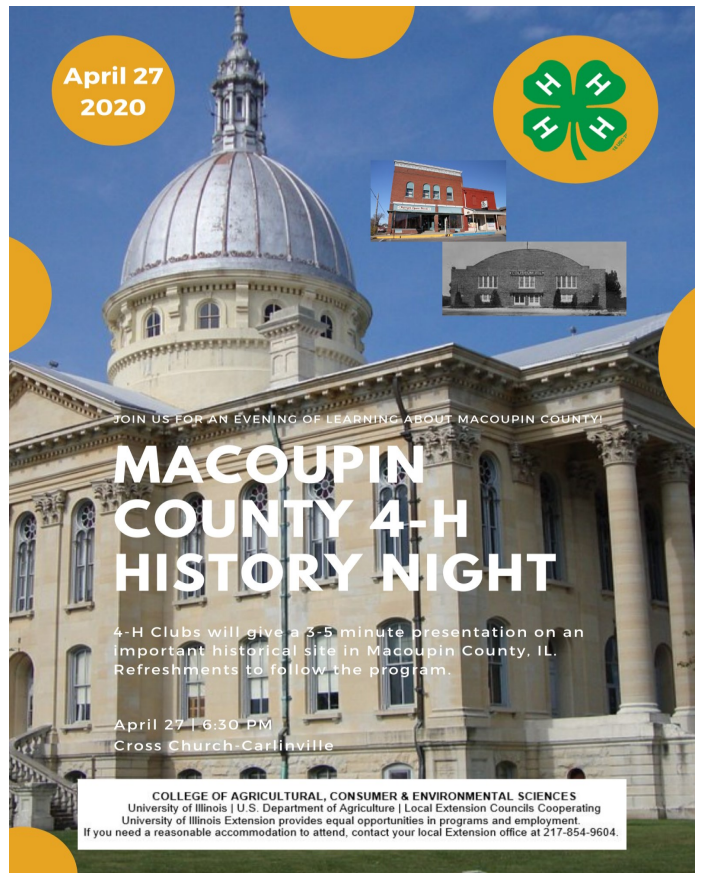
Saturday, May 2, 2020  
Hugh Moore Jr. Farm  
9-10 a.m.

RSVP to Jessica at [jjaffry@illinois.edu](mailto:jjaffry@illinois.edu) or 618-498-2913

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JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF LEARNING ABOUT MACOUPIN COUNTY

## MACOUPIN COUNTY 4-H HISTORY NIGHT

4-H Clubs will give a 3-5 minute presentation on an important historical site in Macoupin County, IL. Refreshments to follow the program.

April 27 | 6:30 PM  
Cross Church-Carlinville

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## Macoupin County 4-H Archery 2020



May 4  
May 18  
June 22  
July 6  
July 20  
August 3

Meet at Macoupin County Fairgrounds  
Group #1 6:00-7:00pm Group #2 7:00-8:00pm

August 17- County Shoot  
August 23- 2pm

Fall Classic at Brittany Trap  
Sept 19

State Archery Shoot-Pekin

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## Macoupin County 4-H Shotgun/Rifle 2020



April 30

May 14

No Shoots in June

July 2

July 16

August 13 (County Shoot)

August 23 (Fall Classic)

August 27 (Fun Shoot)

Sept 26 (State Shotgun)

Oct 10-11 State Rifle (Bloomington)

\*All Shoots at Brittany Shooting Park in Bunker Hill  
at 6:30pm unless otherwise noted\*

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## 2020 MACOUPIN CO. 4-H FAIR SCHEDULE

### **Monday, June 8**

9:00am 4-H General Show

### **Wednesday, June 10**

8:00am 4-H Swine Show

1:00pm 4-H Sheep Show

### **Thursday, June 11**

10:00am 4-H Beef Show

### **Friday, June 12**

9am 4-H Poultry Show

1pm 4-H Goat Show

### **Saturday, June 13**

9am 4-H Rabbit Show

### **Sunday, June 14**

12-2pm— General Projects Pick-Up

## 2020 MACOUPIN CO. 4-H SHOW SCHEDULE

### **Thursday, March 26**

6:00pm 4-H Public Speaking Contest  
Mac. Co. Extension Office

### **Saturday, June 13**

10:00am Unit 18 Horse Show  
Gillespie Lake Horse Arena

### **Saturday, June 20**

9:30am 4-H Mini Fair  
Mac. Co. Fairgrounds

### **Friday, June 26**

9am 4-H Foods/Crops/Hort Show  
Cross Church Carlinville

### **Monday, June 29**

6pm 4-H Clothing Show  
Carlinville

## Upcoming 4-H Meetings & Events

4-H Committee -March 9 at 6:30pm at Ext. Office

4-H Federation Community Service at Ronald McDonald House— March 7 & March 15

4-H Federation Meeting— March 29 2:30 at Extension Office

4-H Leader's Meeting— April 7

4-H Career Trip to STL— April 13

Macoupin County 4-H Week April 19-25

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## Host an international youth this summer



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 22 through August 17.

Be aware:

- Families hosting a youth must have a child the same gender and approximate age (12-18) as the incoming youth.
- Youth must have a separate bed; a separate room is not required.
- Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process, as well as student availability and personality compatibility.
- Applications are accepted until all placements are made

For more information, visit: <http://www.states4hexchange.org>. Find us on Facebook

@ [facebook.com/Illinois4hexchange](https://www.facebook.com/Illinois4hexchange) or contact Illinois representatives

Miriam Rosenbohm @ [rosenbohm07@comcast.net](mailto:rosenbohm07@comcast.net) or Elisha Hughes @ [ehugh2@illinois.edu](mailto:ehugh2@illinois.edu).

## Help sew new curtains for camp!

March 21 | 9 AM – 4 PM | 4-H Memorial Camp @ Monticello

Register online @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hsewing](https://go.illinois.edu/4Hsewing)

4-H Memorial Camp needs new cabin curtains ... LOTS OF THEM! If you know how to sew and have taken at least one year of 4-H sewing, we have a great community service project that is fun and will make a big difference! We need 50 youth volunteers to help cut, pin, sew, and hang 126 curtains in the log cabins used by 1,500 campers each summer. The camp will provide all the materials, patterns, and lunch! We have a few sewing machines available, but more are needed. Members may bring one parent or guardian to help. Come help and enjoy the perfect camp lunch of hot dogs, baked beans, veggies, chips, and cookies!



## Change lives, be a 4-H camp counselor



4-H Memorial Camp is now accepting applications for summer camp employment. We are looking for energetic, responsible individuals to serve as counselors and program staff for 6 weeks of summer camp. We will train you for a week before the campers arrive. You'll get valuable experience working with young people while you have a great summer. We are also looking for people with lifeguard certifications, outdoor education programming experience, and arts/crafts teaching experience. Application paperwork can be found at [4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-camp](https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-camp). Come be a mentor to 1500 campers while creating memories and friendships that last a lifetime.

For more information, contact Andy Davis @ [ArDavis1@illinois.edu](mailto:ArDavis1@illinois.edu) or call (217) 762-2741.

## Nothing beats summer at 4-H Memorial Camp

5 weeks to choose: Learn more and register online @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hcamp](https://go.illinois.edu/4Hcamp)

Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp will open February 3. Spaces fill up immediately, so save the date on your calendar! There are 5 weeks of youth camp this year. Cost is \$250 for 4-H members or \$290 for youth not yet in 4-H. The fee includes a camp t-shirt and \$15 in credit at the Trading Post. No extra cash is needed for camp!

- Week 1: June 2-6
- Week 2: June 7-11
- Week 3: June 14-18
- Week 4: July 5-9
- Week 5: July 26-30



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## Shooting Sports volunteers needed

Many young people don't have someone to show them how to safely handle a firearm or bow. Think back to the person who taught you to shoot. The Illinois 4-H program needs adults willing to serve as mentors and share their passion of shooting sports. Here's what you need to do:

- Contact your local Extension office and complete the required forms and background checks. The local office will complete your registration.
- Complete a 3-hour online training module at home.
- Attend a 9-hour hands-on field day which runs from 9 AM to 7 PM. Check your local office to see if assistance is available for the \$85 fee. Training dates for 2020 are:
  - **Southern Illinois: Saturday, March 28** at Tombstone Gun Range, Marion. Register by March 18.
  - **Western Illinois: Saturday, June 13** at Gardner Camp, Hull. Register by June 3.
  - **Northern Illinois: Saturday, Sept. 12** at Torstenson Youth Education Center, Pecatonica. Register by September 2.

## Check out these state contests

### STATE 4-H HORSE HIPPOLOGY CONTEST

**April 18 | 8 AM**

**David Kinley Hall | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**

**You must pre-qualify at the regional contest to be held on April 4 at Lincoln Land College, Springfield**

Take your love of horses to a new level and compete in the State 4-H Hippology Contest. There are several phases in this horse-related contest: written test, horse judging, station identification, and problem solving. Cost is \$5 per person. Learn more @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hhippology](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hhippology).

### STATE 4-H HORSE BOWL CONTEST

**April 19 | 8 AM**

**Education Building | University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign**

**You must pre-qualify at the regional contest to be held on April 4 at Lincoln Land College, Springfield**

There are several ways to learn about horses, and you don't even need a horse! This contest operates very similar to scholastic bowls at school, with all the questions related to the horse industry! Cost is \$5 per entry or \$25 per team. Learn more @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hhorsebowl](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hhorsebowl).

### STATE 4-H HORSE SPEAKING CONTEST

**April 18 | David Kinley Hall, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign | 10 AM**

Any 4-H members may participate. No pre-qualifying is needed, but you must register at the Extension office by mid-March. Cost is \$3 per entry. You'll share ideas with others as you develop the ability to speak in public about the horse industry and the 4-H Horse project. Learn more @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hhorsespeaking](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hhorsespeaking). There are 5 divisions:

- **Original individual formal speech**
- **Original individual presentation:** either demonstration (step by step process) or illustrated talk on an idea or topic; both use visual aids.
- **Original team presentation:** either demonstration (step by step process) or illustrated talk on an idea or topic; both using visual aids.
- **Extempore speaking:** topic is selected at the event and participants have 25 minutes to prepare a 4- to 6-minute speech.
- **NEW IN 2020: Interpretive Reading** is the art of reading aloud from a printed page. The reading must be published works that are horse-related. They may be prose, poetry, short stories, play cuttings, narratives, book or review, or theatrical. You should NOT memorize; they are intended to be read from a page.

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## Celebrate 4-H Volunteers April 19-25

Illinois 4-H will celebrate the more than 11,000 4-H adult volunteers supporting and guiding 4-H members during National Volunteer Week, April 19-25. 4-H volunteers are the caring adults who are empowering and preparing youth for success as 4-H members provide service to others and in their communities. Today's 4-H youth are engaged in diverse learning experiences where they practice skills employers want; grow and distribute food to communities in need; steward our natural resources; identify local issues and initiate positive change in local, state, national, and global issues; and they make and influence positive choices for healthy living. All of these things happen because of engaged volunteers in local communities.



MACOUPIN COUNTY 4-H WEEK is APRIL 19-25. Help us promote Macoupin County 4-H!



## Be a true leader in service

April 25 | Nationwide

Join 4-H members and clubs across Illinois and the nation on **Saturday, April 25** as part of **True Leaders in Service!** 4-H clubs serve their communities all year long however the month of April has been selected as a time for ALL 4-H clubs to join together to roll up their sleeves in service to local communities. This could mean helping a person or family in need doing yard work or minor home repairs, cleaning up streets or parks, planting trees or gardens, supporting your local food pantry or any other project that supports a local need.

Make your plans now on how you'll help others. Find resources @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice). Later in 2020, you can register your projects there! The goal of the 4-H True Leaders in Service day is to encourage 4-H members in every county to make a positive difference. Service projects can be done by individuals, by 4-H clubs, or as a countywide service project. No matter what the project is, this will be a day to make a difference.

## Two ways to give to 4-H

- **Paper Clover Campaign returns in April:** It's never been easier to support 4-H. From April 29 to May 10, you can donate to 4-H at your local Tractor Supply stores as part of the Paper Clover campaign. Money donated at your store stays right in the county where it's given! Last fall, the campaign raised almost \$1 million!
- **Get your Clover at JOANN stores:** Between March 1 and April 30, you can donate to 4-H at your local JOANN store.



## Let's go fishing

May 2 – 3 | 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello

Learn more @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hfishcamp](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hfishcamp)

With the lake fully stocked, 4-H Fish Camp is back at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Fishing begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 2 and lasts until 2 p.m. Sunday, May 3. Learn how to catch largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, and channel catfish. Learn about fishing tips, lures, bait, equipment, knots, fish behavior, fish management, and fish cleaning. Each group registered will be assigned their own log cabin for lodging with single bunks. Participants must bring their own bedding and toiletries.

A fee of \$50 per person covers the complete program, lodging, boat, bait, and three buffet meals, including Saturday lunch and supper and a Sunday brunch. You'll also have fresh fish fillets to take home! Pre-registration and payment is required. To register, contact 4-H Memorial Camp at (217) 762-2741 or send an email to Curt Sinclair at [sinclair@illinois.edu](mailto:sinclair@illinois.edu).

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## Foundation Hall of Fame ceremony set

The Illinois 4-H Foundation will honor one volunteer leader from each county at a ceremony during the Illinois State Fair. The celebration begins at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18 as part of Ag Day at the fair right before the Sale of Champions activities begin. Supporters and families of the recipients are welcome to attend.

## Look for these changes at the Illinois State Fair

With the timing of the state fair and the anticipated start of school, the 4-H General Project Show at the state fair has been condensed to three days: Aug. 14, 15, and 16.

- Exhibits must be in place by 9:30 AM and remain on display **until 4 PM**. (new release time)
- The awards will include **Champion Medals** for the highest score in each project class and **Reserve Medals** for the second highest score in each class. Cash premiums from the state will be paid to the medal winners. **Innovation Awards** will be given to exhibits judges find inspiring, innovative, or creative and are not based on scores. Medal winners cannot receive the innovation award in 2020.
- **New projects** at the state fair include: Child Development, Leather, Sports Nutrition, Family Heritage, and Shooting Sports
- The **State 4-H Public Speaking Contest** will be held at the same time as the state fair. Youth can compete in a speech and also bring a project to the General Project Show. Youth must be selected in their county contest to advance and will speak the same day as their county exhibit day.
- **Ewe lambs** are now eligible for the premier show.
- Steers advancing to state fair **must be weighed by Feb. 29**.
- The **junior poultry show** begins Monday, Aug. 17.
- The **State 4-H Poultry Judging Contest** will be held at the state fair on Monday, Aug. 17.
- The **junior rabbit show** begins Saturday, Aug. 22.
- Check out all the livestock ownership deadlines online @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hlivestock](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hlivestock).

Our exhibit day is:

### August 15

Christian, Clark, Clay, Cook, Crawford, DeKalb, DuPage, Edgar, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Jackson, Jasper, Jersey, Johnson, Kane, Kendall, Livingston, Logan, Macoupin, Massac, McLean, Menard, Montgomery, Ogle, Perry, Pulaski-Alexander, Randolph, Sangamon, Union, Williamson, Woodford

# 4-H FAST FACTS

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## mark your calendar!



Feb 1-28	Children's Hospital Supply Drive Community Service
February 15	4-H Day at Blackburn Men's Basketball 3pm Carlinville
February 21	DEADLINE: Governor's Volunteer Service Award Applications
February 22 – 23	Junior Leadership Conference, Effingham
February 29	DEADLINE: Project Y.E.S.
February 29	State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl, East Peoria
February 29	State 4-H Horse Judging Contest, Black Hawk College, East Campus
March 1	DEADLINE: Farm Credit Scholarship
March 1 – April 30	JOANN Clovers for Kids Campaign
March 4-5	4-H Legislative Connection, Springfield
March 6	Women Changing the Face of Agriculture, Decatur
March 14	2020 Awards Banquet by invitation only
March 21	Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training, Whiteside County, Sterling
March 21	Sewing Community Service project, 4-H Memorial Camp
March 26	4-H Public Speaking Contest 6pm Extension Office
March 28	Northeast Regional Horse Bowl and Hippology Contest
March 28	Southern Regional Horse Bowl and Hippology Contest
April 4	Central Regional Horse Bowl and Hippology Contest, Lincoln Land Community College
April 4	Northwest Regional Horse Bowl and Hippology Contest, Knoxville
April 18	State 4-H Horse Speaking Contest, Champaign
April 18	State 4-H Horse Hippology Contest, Champaign
April 19	State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest, Champaign
April 19-25	National Volunteer Week/Macoupin County 4-H Week
April 25	National 4-H Day of Service
April 25	Shooting Sports Training, Williamson County
April 27	Macoupin County 4-H History Night 6:30 Cross Church Carlinville
April 29 – May 10	Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign
May 1	DEADLINE: Family Spirit Award Nominations
May 2-3	4-H Fish Camp, 4-H Memorial Camp
May 6-7	4-H Legislative Connection, Springfield
May 9	State 4-H Robotics Competition, Bloomington
June 8	4-H General Show