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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 the Illinois 4-H Facebook page for contests all week long.

Market 4-H throughout the Month!

- Wear your 4-H shirt to school.
- Write letters to your state Representatives about what you have learned/gained through 4-H. Check the State of IL Government Website for addresses.
- Submit photos and articles to newspapers.
- Take cookies to first responders.
- Have a poster contest with your members, then display them in local business windows.
- Challenge current members to recruit a new member.
- Give presentations at schools, home school organizations, and youth-serving agency boards.
- Ask banks to include a bookmark or flyer about 4-H at their

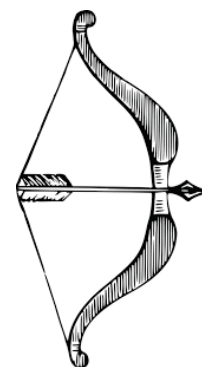


INSPIRED TO LEAD | CALLED TO SERVE
 NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

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**Seeking a Shooting Sports Coordinator for
 Madison County!**

The Coordinator is required to take a training to learn about the responsibilities. The Coordinator then works with the Co. 4-H Shooting Sports instructors to offer a safe educational program. Please consider this opportunity to help provide Shooting Sports for 4-H members.



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 618-939-3434, 618-939-7708 Fax

Office Hours:
 Monday- Friday : 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.
 Closed Noon to 1:00 p.m. for lunch

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 1 Regency Plaza, Suite 200
 Collinsville, IL 62234
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4-H Enrollment 2019/20

- Plan to attend your next 4-H meeting to receive your enrollment packet and pick out your new project(s) for the year.
- In addition to re-enrolling in 4-H Online at <https://il.4honline.com>, emergency medical forms and liability forms will be provided in your enrollment packet. Please fill them out and return to your leader.
- In order to show at the county show in August...**ALL** enrollment, including new members and current members MUST be completed by **FEBRUARY 1, 2020**. Additional projects may NOT be added after this date.
- Don't forget! You **MUST attend at least four meetings and do a talk or demonstration** at a club meeting to be eligible to show a project at a county 4-H show next summer.



New Projects Now Available:

*Child Development

*Sports Nutrition

*Family Heritage

*Leather Visual Arts

Download the new Project Guide @ go.illinois.edu/4Hprojectguide.

Congratulations, Zachary Paul, on your accomplishments in the Superior Young Dairy Producer Award Contest on August 17, 2019!



The purpose of the contest is to create an educational activity that promotes youth development, career development, and personal growth through increased knowledge of the dairy industry. This three-phase competition emphasizes the youth's knowledge of the dairy industry.



Zachary placed **top three** in phase one which was a dairy management test relating to dairy nutrition, herd health, reproduction, milk marketing, and other dairy related information. He also placed in the **top three** of the **overall participants** and was awarded with a \$1,000 scholarship sponsored by Prairie Farms Dairy.

On a related note, congratulations are also in order for Zachary's 4th place finish at the Illinois 4-H State Dairy Judging Contest!

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Congratulations to **Gabi Hance** and **Karlee Switzer** for competing in the State 4-H Dog Show! Karlee placed 6th out of 23 participants in Beginner Novice 1, and also competed in the Jr. Showmanship class. Gabi competed in the Pre-Novice class. Awesome job to both young ladies!

Recruit for your Club!

4-H Clubs are encouraged to set up a booth at the *Horse-A-Fair* event **Saturday, November 2** starting at **9:00AM** at the St. Louis Regional Airport in Bethalto, IL.

It is suggested to do a small craft or quick experiment to entice kids and families to visit your booth, as well as help showcase some of the different educational topics 4-H members can study. Give out information about your club and/or 4-H to help promote and bring more exposure to our wonderful program!

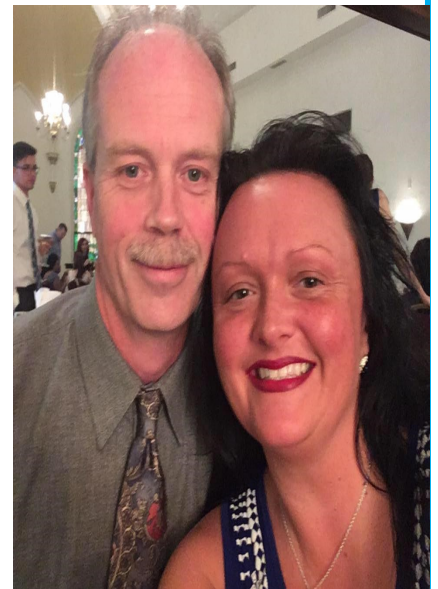
Want to set up a booth or have questions about the event? Please contact **Angie Garrett @ 618-623-9574!**



Welcome Katrina Galati, 4-H Youth Development Metro Educator and Angie Abernathy, 4-H Extension Program Coordinator for Madison & St. Clair Counties.

Katrina will be providing educational programming to school classrooms, after school programs, community centers and beyond to enhance education and life skill training to new audiences of youth in the metro area of the Unit.

Angie will be working with 4-H leaders to provide them updates and helpful information. She will be recruiting new volunteers to help with 4-H Club leadership in order to expand the wonderful 4-H program opportunities to more youth in Madison and St. Clair Counties.



Scholarships Available!

Madison County 4-H Scholarships

Sponsored by Madison Co. Extension Education Foundation

The Madison County Extension Education Foundation will offer scholarships to 4-H members of Madison County. This award is to encourage and support 4-H member's attendance at a 4-H conference, camp, or other 4-H opportunity. The Foundation will be offering five half-fee scholarships (each not to exceed \$100) and will reimburse the chosen applicant following attendance of the event. Individuals can apply for multiple opportunities, but will be limited to one scholarship per 4-H year.

The application and personal reference documents are on the Unit website.

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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**.



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.**

SCHOLARSHIP MONEY AVAILABLE!

Legacy of Leadership Scholarship: Fifteen \$1,000 scholarships are offered to members who have demonstrated overall mastery and leadership in the 4-H program. You must have been a member for at least 5 years and attending either a 4-year university, community college, or trade school. The scholarship is open to high school seniors and college freshmen.

Applications are due November 1. Download the application @ go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships. Finalists must submit a video of your 4-H accomplishments.

Livestock Scholarship: \$1,000 scholarship opportunity for youth who have demonstrated project mastery in their livestock area. Open to current high school seniors who have completed a minimum of 3 years in a Livestock Project and plan to pursue a college degree in the agriculture industry. *Applications are due November 1.*

Download the application @ go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships.

Joyce Betz Memorial Scholarship/TEACH Outdoors, Inc.: Teach Outdoors, Inc. NFP is awarding an educational scholarship for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$1,000. The scholarship will be awarded directly to a student who is furthering his/her education by attending college, a university or trade school. *Application must be postmarked by Jan. 1.*

You can access the application @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>

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State Award deadlines are earlier! Submit by November 1

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

Key Award: This award focuses on Leadership, Community Service and Mentoring. Members 16-19 are eligible for this award.

State 4-H Award: Members may apply in any or all of the five award categories: *Communications, Community Service, Leadership, Personal Growth, and/or Project Mastery*. State winners in these categories can receive educational scholarships or trips to national events. This award is open to members 15-18.

Vet Science Award: Outstanding members enrolled in the 4-H Veterinary Science Project are eligible to apply for a \$200 cash award. Check with your county for their deadline for this award.

4-H Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award: Applicants must be 17-19 and exemplify leadership, citizenship and professionalism skills. This award is sponsored by the Illinois Farm Bureau and Affiliate Companies. Winners will be invited to a 3-day Premier 20 Youth Leadership Conference in April.

Experience Award: 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 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 to submit this application. This award is open to 4-H members of all ages!



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/.

New certification required for youth exhibiting livestock

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). It will replace former trainings: PQA and QAEC. This program is the industry-standard certification. Check with local offices about completing the training. The training must be completed each year.

Horses, dogs, and cats will still be required to take the **Quality Assurance and Ethics** (QAEC) training. This training is only required once in the member's career.

Teen Leadership Conference postponed

The Teen leadership conference originally scheduled for January will be held later in the year. Stay tuned for more information

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National 4-H Week	October 6-12, 2019
Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign, Alton	October 9-20, 2019
Youth in Action Award Application due	October 21, 2019
State Awards due	November 1, 2019
Legacy of Leadership & Livestock Scholarships due	November 1, 2019
Horse-A-Fair, Bethalto, IL	November 2, 2019; 9:00a.m.
Thanksgiving Holiday-Office Closed	November 28-29
Trivia & Silent Auction, Hamel Community Center	Being rescheduled
Enrollment deadline in 4-H Online to exhibit at County Shows	February 1, 2020
Spaghetti Dinner	Date to be confirmed
Garden Tour	June 19 & 20, 2020

Ribbon Recycling

We know you are all proud of your 4-H Ribbons but do you have an overabundance that you don't know what to do with?

Consider recycling them! Bring any un-wrinkled, un-faded 4-H ribbons to the Extension office and we will re-use them next year!



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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.