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January 24, 2020

Inspired to Lead– Called to Serve

Good afternoon 4-H Families,

I hope you are all doing well despite all these weekend winter storms. If you get into Rockford this weekend, be sure to check out the snow sculptures in Sinnissippi Park . My daughter's Pecatonica high school team is there working all day today and tomorrow morning. She was exhausted last night, but the pictures of their work looked great!

There is a ton of information in this Newsflash of upcoming programs and other state level opportunities. Please take the time to read through them so you don't miss out on something important! We currently still have 3 openings for our Heart-saver CPR & AED training on February 9th and 12 openings for the Let's Paint! At Jelly Art Studio. You can register for either of these at <https://extension.illinois.edu/jsw> .

Registration for Super Saturday will be opening soon! We are still ironing out details for some of our sessions and will have the information available to you within the next week or two. Please just save the date of March 7th for right now! We are looking for a few helpers this morning for transitions and checking in with session leaders to see if they need anything. I am also looking for a photographer for the morning. Super Saturday will be here in the Extension Building.

Have a wonderful and safe weekend!

~Becky Gocken



STEPHENSON COUNTY 4-H INFORMATION

Stephenson County 4-H and Youth Development **CPR & AED TRAINING**

BECAUSE YOU JUST MIGHT BE ABLE
TO SAVE A LIFE

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS STEPHENSON COUNTY
EXTENSION OFFICE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020
12:30-3:00 P.M.

Class Duration: 2.5-3 hours
Class Cost: \$5 for Students/Adults
who work with K-12 Students
\$25 for all others
<https://extension.illinois.edu/sw>

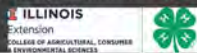


Registration open to the first 6
members, leaders of
volunteers ages 12 and older.

Heather Baker is an American Heart Association CPR Instructor from Rockton, IL who is passionate about CPR/AED training due to her own survivor story. At only 28 years old, Heather experienced Sudden Cardiac Arrest on 2/1/18 at Pecatonica High School, after experiencing no warning signs. When her heart unexpectedly stopped at work, Heather's colleagues immediately jumped into action and used CPR and the AED to bring her back to life, shocking her heart three times. Heather is a part of a small group of survivors, thanks to the fast actions of her coworkers (less than 9% of victims survive Sudden Cardiac Arrest).

Inspired to give back to the community, and to teach the importance of CPR/AED, Heather now offers Heartsaver First Aid and Infant, Child, and Adult CPR/AED training. Her American Heart Association approved classes will teach you the life-saving skills that everyone should know, and will give you the confidence to save a life when you are needed to do so.

To hear Heather's complete story,
visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mEC4MwZCYLo>



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Stephenson County 4-H and Youth Development
& Jelly Art Studio

LET'S PAINT!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2020
9:30 - 11:30 AM.

You bring the sketch and we will take
care of the supplies and the mess!

Participants will create an original painting on an
8 X 10" canvas for only \$10!

Grab a friend and come join the fun!

Participants must be between the ages of 8-18 years
of age.

Please wear old clothes! We will get messy!

Registration is open to the first 15 participants and closes February 16, 2020.
Jelly Art Studio is located at 6 E. Stephenson Street, Freeport.

Jelly Art Studio
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Super Saturday Workshop Helpers Needed!

March 7, 2020

9 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.

Please email or call Becky if you can help us! We are looking for people to monitor sessions for any presenter needs and help with transition times between sessions.

We are currently looking for new **Woodworking and Technologies**

Superintendents for the fair!

Please email or call Becky if you are interested!

815-235-4125 or rgocken@illinois.edu

STEPHENSON COUNTY 4-H INFORMATION

NORTHERN ILLINOIS 4-H SUMMER CAMP

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JUNE 8-12

ROCK RIVER CHRISTIAN
CAMP
POLO, IL



4-H CAMP IS OPEN TO ALL YOUTH AGES 8-14 BY JUNE 8, 2020
REGISTER ONLINE BY MARCH 1

GO.ILLINOIS.EDU/4HSUMMERCAMP



4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator Needed ASAP!

We are looking for an individual willing to be our Stephenson County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator to be able to continue our archery program. This person would be required to attend the Coordinator training. The information about the program and training dates is here: <http://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/shooting-sports/4-h-shooting-sports-volunteers>. We would want to begin the 4-H volunteer screening process ASAP before you attend the training. Please contact Becky Gocken @ 815-235-4125 if interested!



We are currently looking for old, wooden 6' ladders to use as part of our State Fair Delegate displays. No one will be standing on them, so it's okay if they are un-stable. We will be painting them and using them for years to come! Please email or call me if you have any lying around that you no longer want!

Attention 4-H Swine, Sheep, Goats, Beef and Dairy Show Participants:

The YQCA annual training is required by the state 4-H office this year to show in any 4-H Swine, Sheep, Goat, Beef or Dairy livestock show. You may take the in-person training with me on February 11, 2020 at Freeport Public Library (registration at 4:30 p.m. and begin at 5:00 p.m.) for \$3 per member, or on your own for \$12 per member. If February 11th does not work for you, you may take the training in another county for \$3 per member. The list of dates and times offered by other counties is available when you sign in to pre-register on the website.

You must pre-register using your 4-H Online Family email and password by February 9th and pay via credit card at:

<https://yqca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login>

All other livestock shows still require the QAEC training which can be found at <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>.

These trainings must be completed by June 1, 2020!



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4-H Dog Class Schedule 2020

**Kick Off Meeting: March 25, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at
Extension Office, Room 153**

Traditional obedience class (Beginning Novice, Preferred Novice and Novice) will begin at 6 p.m. Showmanship will begin at 6:45 p.m. Rally will begin at 7:00 p.m. These classes will meet on Wednesdays.



May 20
May 27
June 3
June 10
June 17
June 24
July 1
July 8
July 10



All classes will be held at the Stephenson County Fairgrounds in the Foresight Commercial Building or outside of the building on the grass (weather permitting).

**The 4-H Dog Show is Saturday, July 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.
Foresight Commerical Building.**

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STEPHENSON COUNTY 4-H CLUB UPDATES/ SHOUT OUTS

Davis Rockets
Next Meeting
Monday,
February 3, 2020
6:00 p.m.



One of Erin Barrett's coworkers is looking to re-home a 7 month old dwarf lion head rabbit. It comes with the cage, food dish, water dispenser, a few treats and some food for \$15. Please contact either by email at luckylockets2@gmail.com) or you can call her at 815-291-8916 for more information.

LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES

Davis Town & Country Pancake Day

We can use help from 4pm to 7pm on Saturday February 8th.
 Any student who needs community hours can bring us the form to sign.

We are a non profit organization.

We have the community building and the Lighted Ball Field in Davis.

We let 4H, and any other group use the hall rent free Pancake day is are only fund raiser.

We also have meat sale going on now.

We will have raffles and a silent auction.

Any one who wants to order meat can call me at 815-541-233

Thank You , Rich Rote

70th Annual
 Davis Town & Country
Pancake Day
Saturday, February 8, 2020
10:00 AM – 7:00 PM

All You Can Eat
 Pancakes and Sausage

Adults \$8.00
 Children \$4.00
 (6-11)
 Children 5 and under Eat Free

Davis Community Building
 Stanton St. Davis, IL



70th Pancake Day

February 8th, 2020

10 AM – 7 PM

Meat Order

Please List Quantity

| | \$ per # | Package Size | | |
|--------------|----------|--------------|------------|----|
| Bulk Sausage | 3.50 | 1# | 3# | 5# |
| Link Sausage | 4.00 | | 3# | 5# |
| Pork Chops | 4.00 | | 3# | 5# |
| Hocks | 2.10 | | Whole hock | |
| Lard | 2.00 | | | 5# |

Please Return Orders by January 27th 2020
 Pick up orders Friday and Saturday, Feb 7 – 8th
 For Questions Please Call Aaron @ 815-541-0869
 Or email: aaronwebstermc@gmail.com
Thank You and See you at Pancake Day!!

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

2020 ILLINOIS 4-H ROBOTICS CHALLENGE

Hi 4-H Family!

I am pleased to announce the release of the 2020 Illinois 4-H Robotics challenge video and document!

On July 16, 1969 we as a civilization accomplished the impossible and sent three brave souls to the moon and back. Over the next 50 years, we have sent rovers to Mars, explored interstellar space with our Voyager 1, and have even put a Tesla into orbit! We now know secrets of the galaxy that were once hidden and have been able view objects that we never thought we could, like a black hole. With the privatization of space, companies have been able to test and develop technologies that will both make commercial space flight a possibility, as well as allow us to go further than we have ever thought we could go. It will be the minds and accomplishments of today's youth that will propel us into the cosmos of tomorrow. This year's competition revolves around this exciting field, and the STEM involved.

The competition will take place at the McLean County Fairgrounds in Bloomington, IL on Saturday, May 9, 2020. Team registration will open February 1, 2020 and will close March 31, 2020. There will be a \$20 Entry fee per team assessed at the time of registration. Please have Club leaders and coaches subscribe to the IL 4-H Robotics Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/il4hrobotics/> to receive the latest updates and competition information. Competition information will be available on the State 4-H Website on Feb. 1.

Challenge Direct Download, Always Up to date:

<https://go.illinois.edu/2020CHALLENGE>

Register Here:

<https://go.illinois.edu/4HR2020>

Challenge Announcement Video Here:

<https://youtu.be/IEAv1USEGS8>

All questions should go to illinois4h-stem@illinois.edu.

Thank you!

Keith Jacobs

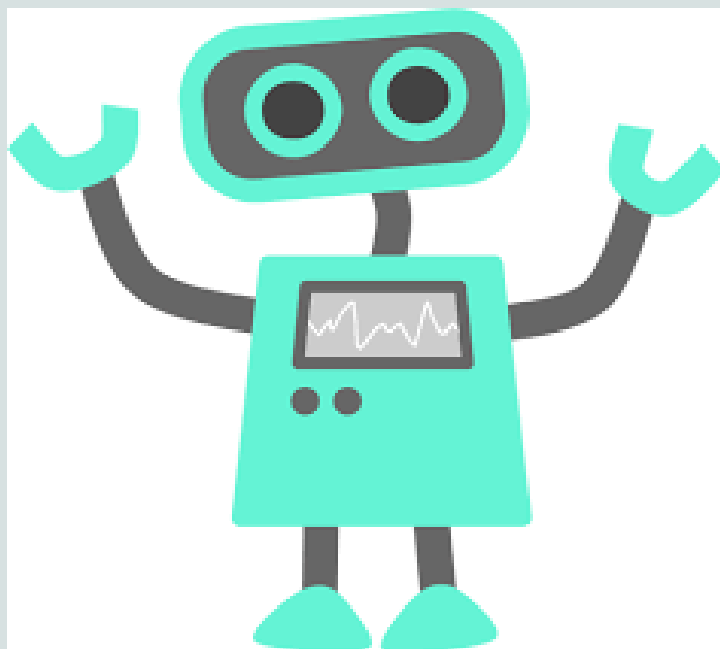
STEM Extension Specialist

State 4-H Office

University of Illinois Extension

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<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/>



STEPHENSON COUNTY IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

JANUARY 2020

- 25 10:00 a.m. Poultry Clinic, HCC, Bldg. R, Room 153
25-26 Teen Leadership Conference, Decatur



FEBRUARY 2020

- 1 9-4:30 p.m. **Camp Counselor Training, Ogle Co. Extension Office, Oregon, IL**
5 6:30 p.m. **Organizational Leaders Meeting**
9 12:30 p.m. **CPR & AED Training (pre-registration required)**
11 4:30 p.m. **YQCA Training (optional for \$3 fee vs. \$12 on your own) Freeport Public Library**
15 9:00 a.m. Beef Weigh In– Lena Vet Clinic, Lena
17 11:30 a.m. 4-H Ambassador Meeting @ Elliott Graphics
22 9:30 a.m. **Let's Paint! Workshop at Jelly Art Studio, Freeport (pre-registration required)**
22 Beef Weigh In Snow Date
22-23 Junior Leadership Conference, Effingham
29 9-3 p.m. Camp Counselor Training- Rockford (tentative)

Stephenson County Fair

is

July 21-25!

General Projects Day is

July 8th!

MARCH 2020

- 1 Last day to register for 4-H Camp
7 9– 11:45 a.m. **Super Saturday, HCC, Building R**
13-14 Boys Science Siesta, Discovery Center, Rockford
15 Fair Entry Opens for Public Speaking & Demonstrations
25 6:30 p.m. Dog Classes Kick-Off Meeting, HCC, Room 153



APRIL 2020

- 1 **Final day to add/change projects in 4-H Online**
3-4 Girls Science Siesta, Discovery Center, Rockford
TBA Spring Archery Shooting Sports (postponed until we find and train a Coordinator)
18-25 National Volunteer Week
18 9-3 p.m. Camp Counselor Training, Stephenson Co. Ext. Office, Freeport
19 11-2 p.m. 13th Annual Stephenson County 4-H & Extension Foundation Pork Chop Dinner, Eagles Club 1200 West Galena Ave, Freeport
22 4-H Public Speaking & Demo Contest, HCC, Building R, Room 102

STEPHENSON COUNTY IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY 2020

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| 1 | | Horse lease/ ownership and Breeding Beef Females ownership deadline (Paperwork for Horse & Pony due to Ext. Office) |
| 15 | | Ownership for Sheep Wethers and ALL Meat Goats |
| 20, 27 | 6 p.m. | Dog Class, Stephenson Co. Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Bldg. |
| 25 | | Extension Office closed for Memorial Day |

JUNE 2020

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|---------------|-------------|---|
| 1 | | Deadline for YQCA & QAEC Certification |
| 1 | | Ownership deadline: Beef Heifers, Beef Bucket Calves, Dairy Goat Kids, Dairy Goat Yearling (not in milk), *ALL Pygmy Goats, Dairy Calves & Heifers, All Poultry, Rabbit & Cavies (No paperwork to Ext. Office) |
| 1 | | Dog lease/ ownership deadline due to Ext. Office |
| 3, 10, 17, 24 | 6 p.m. | Dog Class, Stephenson Co. Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Bldg. |
| 8-12 | | 4-H Camp, Rock River Christian Camp, Polo, IL |
| 14 | | 2020 Northern Illinois 4-H Horse & Pony Show, Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Freeport |
| 19 | 9-2:30 p.m. | Babysitting Clinic, Pearl City Park District |
| 20 | | Stephenson County Ag Breakfast |
| 20 | 9:00 a.m. | 2020 Western Illinois 4-H Horse Show, Monmouth, IL |

JULY 2020

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| 1 | 6 p.m. | Dog Class, Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Bldg. |
| 3 | 9:00 a.m. | 4-H Stephenson County Fashion, Highland Community College |
| 3 | 1-1:30 p.m. | 4-H Candy Making Shows, Highland Community College |
| 3 | 1:30-3:30 p.m. | 4-H Cake Decorating, Cookie Decorating, Highland Community College |
| 3 | 2:30 p.m. | 4-H Flower Arranging Contest, Highland Community College |
| 4 | | Extension Office closed for Independence Day |
| 8 | 9 a.m. | General Projects Day , Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Bldg. |
| 8 | 6 p.m. | Dog Class, Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Bldg. |
| 10 | 6 p.m. | Dog Class, Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Bldg. |
| 11 | 9:00 a.m. | Stephenson County 4-H Dog Show, Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Bldg. |

STEPHENSON COUNTY IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY

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| 11 | 1:00 p.m. | Stephenson County 4-H Cat Show, Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Bldg. |
| 20 | 9:00 a.m. | 4-H Crops, Cooking, Cloverbuds Shows, Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Building |
| 20 | 1:00 p.m. | Cloverbud Show, Stephenson County Fairgrounds, Foresight Commercial Building |
| 21-25 | | Stephenson County Fair |
| 21 | 8:30 a.m. | 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show, Rabbit Barn |
| 21 | 8:45 a.m. | 4-H Poultry Shows, Poultry Barn |
| 21 | 9:00 a.m. | 4-H Swine Show, Swine Barn |
| 21 | 9:00 a.m. | 4-H Beef Show, Beef Show Ring |
| 21 | 9:30 a.m. | 4-H Goat Show, Goat Show Ring |
| 21 | 9:30 a.m. | 4-H Dairy Show, Dairy Show Ring |
| 23 | 6:00 p.m. | Parade of Excellence, FHN Grandstand |
| 25 | 1:00 p.m. | 4-H Master Showmanship Contest (Swine, Sheep, Beef Show Rings) |
| 26 | 8:30 a.m. | 4-H Stephenson County Horse Show- Rain or Shine |

AUGUST 2020

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| 14 | | Stephenson County State Fair Show Date |
| 29 | | State 4-H Dog Show, Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center, Dixon, IL |



STATE 4-H CONTESTS:

STATE 4-H DAIRY QUIZ BOWL

February 29 | East Peoria | 11 AM – 5 PM

Register at your county Extension office before February 14.

Be the first to buzz in with the answers to questions all about the dairy cattle industry. You'll have fun competing with friends as teams of four who share your interest in dairy cattle. Competing as an individual? No worries, we'll find a partner for you. Register the day of the event prior to the 11:30 kick off test. The contest will be held at the Embassy Suites, East Peoria Riverfront Hotel & Conference Center, 100 Conference Center Drive, East Peoria. The State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl team will be selected from the eligible 4-H members (15-18) participating at this state contest. **Learn more online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hdairy.**

STATE 4-H HORSE JUDGING CONTEST

February 29 | 11 AM

Black Hawk College | Galva, IL

Registration cards must be signed by Extension staff

In 4-H, learning about horses means much more than learning to ride. The State 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be held Saturday, February 29 at Black Hawk College. Registration begins at 11 AM, with the contest following at noon. Youth will judge six classes of horses, at least two being halter classes. Youth 14 years of age and older may also choose to participate in oral reasons following the classes. For those not participating in the oral reasons class, one question class will be required. **Learn more online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hhorsejudging.**

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 April 4 at Knoxville High School

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.**

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 April 4 at Knoxville High School

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.**



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Speaking for Illinois 4-H

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 – Jefferson County Extension Office
9:30 A.M. Registration; 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. Training



The Illinois State 4-H Youth Leadership Team has designed *SFI4-H* to train 4-H members in advanced presentation skills and business etiquette to effectively promote the University of Illinois Extension 4-H Youth Development Program. The ultimate goal is to create a team of polished teen speakers across the state that can speak to civic groups, potential donors, and elected officials on the local, state, and federal level. Whether the topic is recruitment of potential 4-H volunteers, fund-raising, or budgets, we need 4-H members who are trained and qualified to share the 4-H vision and get the job done!



Current 4-H members, ages 14-18, *should let their local Extension office know* that they wish to register for the training. Training will focus on building a variety of presentation skills and help the member tell their 4-H Story in the most effective way possible to share with elected officials, donors, civic groups and similar audiences.

Youth must register on-line for training by January 27 for the February 1 training. The application requirement has been removed so the only documentation we need is the photo release form as well as the online registration. Registration for the training is \$12.00 to cover the cost of lunch.



Registration is now open!
Registration must be completed on-line:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/speaking-illinois-4-h-training>

Help Your Local and State 4-H Program
Join the *SFI4-H* Team!

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Speaking for Illinois 4-H

SATURDAY, March 21 – Whiteside County Extension Office
9:30 A.M. Registration; 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. Training



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Youth must register on-line for training by March 13 for the March 21 training.

The application requirement has been removed so the only documentation we need is the photo release form as well as the online registration. Registration for the training is \$12.00 to cover the cost of lunch.



Registration is now open!

Registration must be completed on-line:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=21680>

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STATE 4-H CONTESTS:

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. 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.

Speak Up for 4-H

February 1 | 9 AM – 3 PM | Mt. Vernon

March 21 | 9 AM – 3 PM | Sterling

Register @ go.illinois.edu/sfi4H | Cost \$12

We're looking for 4-H members interested in spreading the great news about 4-H. If you're at least 14, you can join the **Speaking for Illinois 4-H** team. Two trainings are available:

Saturday February 1 at the Jefferson County Extension Office in Mt. Vernon

Saturday, March 21 at the Whiteside County Extension Office in Sterling

The day-long training, provided by the Illinois State 4-H Youth Leadership Team, gives you the chance to explore your own 4-H history and why you are involved, then put that story into words. You'll learn the best ways to approach donors, civic groups, elected officials, and others to talk about 4-H. Once you're trained, you'll receive an invitation to be a part of our Legislative Connection events at the State Capitol.

Help Sew New Curtains for Camp!

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

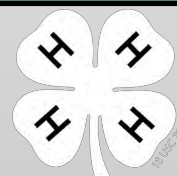
Register online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hsewing

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!

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STATE 4-H INFORMATION:

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.

Let's Go Fishing

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

Learn more @ 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.

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 or Elisha Hughes @ ehugh2@illinois.edu.

STATE 4-H INFORMATION:

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. 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 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

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

Be a True Leader in Service



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. 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.

Foundation Hall of Fame Ceremony

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.

Find Help for Your Projects

We have dozens of projects you can choose to take, and ways to help you learn! Check out the resources available @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/project-resources>. Some are available from the county Extension office. Others you can order directly from Shop 4-H or other state Extension programs.

Give us a call if you have questions.

STATE 4-H INFORMATION:

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.



In Stephenson County, there are 98 volunteers who inspire youth involved in local 4-H programs.

4-H and their leaders include:

Leader

Stephanie Mitchell

Bonnie Campbell

Alicia Glendenning, Dean Kuper

Denise Hayunga

Josh & Stacey Bolen, Ann Johnson

Bonnie Bawinkel, Rose DeVries

Kathy Baumgartner, Sheila Keene

Kristi Krahmer, Jamie Stabenow

Jen Brenner, Nikki Keltner, Barb Curry

Curt & Pennie Miller, Brenda Forth

Becky Thomas

Gail Engelkens

Karen Wilhelms

Pat Yeagle

Courtney Cary

Club

Country Cuzins

Davis Rockets

Florence Crickets

Freeport Fantastics

German Valley Golden Eagles

Harlem Helpers

Lena Live Wires

Lena Lucky Clovers

Pearl City Hornets

Pearl Valley Rangers

Pearl Valley Rangers

Rainbow Rangers

Rainbow Rangers

Snappy Snazzers

Whiz Kids

STATE 4-H INFORMATION:

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.

Our exhibit day is August 14, 2020.

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| August 14 | Bureau, Carroll, Champaign, Coles, Cumberland, DeWitt, Ford, Fulton, Henry, Iroquois, Jo Daviess, LaSalle, Lee, Macon, Marshall-Putnam, Mason, Mercer, Moultrie-Douglas, Peoria, Piatt, Rock Island, Shelby, Stark, Stephenson, Tazewell, Vermilion, Whiteside, Winnebago |
| 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 |
| August 16 | Adams, Bond, Boone, Brown, Calhoun, Cass, Clinton, Edwards, Gallatin, Greene, Grundy, Hamilton, Hancock, Henderson, Jefferson, Kankakee, Knox, Lake, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, McDonough, McHenry, Monroe, Morgan, Pike, Pope-Hardin, Richland, Saline, Schuyler, Scott, St. Clair, Wabash, Warren, Washington, Wayne, White, Will |



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 by June 1 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 and must be completed by June 1.

Feb. 11, 2020 Freeport Public Library

Illini Summer Academies

Contact Alvarez Dixon for information, cost, and registration.

Access the scholarship link @ go.illinois.edu/illini4Hscholarship after January 31.

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REGISTER NOW
go.illinois.edu/4HJLC



Registration has reached capacity! Call Katie Duitsman at the State Office @ 217-333-0910 to be put on a waiting list! They will be offering the Junior Leadership Conference again this fall, October 10-11 in Decatur, IL!

**BE THE LEADER
YOUR CLUB NEEDS!**

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| <p>BOOK YOUR TRIP TODAY</p> <p>Only 100 spots available <i>Registration closes January 24 (or at capacity)</i></p> <p>COST: \$170 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE ONLINE</p> | <p>February 22-23</p> <p>ARRIVE 10 - 11 AM Saturday, Feb. 22 DEPART by 11:30 AM Sunday, Feb. 23</p> <p>Keller Convention Center 1202 Keller Drive Effingham</p> <p>7th & 8th grade 4-H members</p> |
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4-H Livestock Clinic

• 2020 POULTRY & RABBIT •

Join us for and learn all the tips and tricks that you will need to know for your show day! Feel free to bring your own rabbit or poultry species and

Mike will help you with any questions you might have!

This event is sponsored by the Illinois State 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team and our presenter for the day is Mike Claypool.



Free Pre- registration at:
go.illinois.edu/LATclinic



FEBRUARY

8TH

9am-11am

Effingham County Fair Grounds

722 E Cumberland Rd

Altamont, Il 62411

contact: Dan Jennings 815-218-4358

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate, please contact the Extension office.
Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.
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OGLE COUNTY 4-H HORSE DRILL TEAM

The Ogle County 4-H Horse Drill Team is getting ready to start its new year with coaches, Jackie Detig and Linda Schreiber.

The Ogle County 4-H Horse Drill Team is a group of 4-H members between the ages of 8 - 18, and performs with classic drill team precision while promoting good horse etiquette and riding skills.

Here the riders learn how to synchronize in line formations, change leads and other basic riding and drill techniques. They learn horsemanship, responsibility, respect for others and their horse, commitment, and sportsmanship. These riders are expected to be committed and dedicated to attending meetings, practices and events.

If you are interested in joining, please join us at an informational meeting. The meeting will be held on February 16th at 2:00 P.M. in the auditorium of the Farm Bureau Building, 421 West Pines Road, Oregon, IL

Requirements:

1. Must be able to walk, jog, lope and ride one-handed. We will be working with flags.
2. You don't have to own your own horse, but must be a current 4-H member. You do not have to be in the horse project. Must ride in long pants, lace up or cowboy boots and helmet at practices and performances.
3. Date for the tryouts will be announced at the meeting. At the informational meeting, you will be given the pattern. If you are interested in joining the drill team and cannot make the tryout date announced, please contact one of the coaches.
4. Must attend 60% of all practices and four out of the last six practices prior to performance, and all members must attend the last practice prior to the performance to be eligible to perform. **(This is at the discretion of the coaches.)**
5. We tentatively will have practices at least once a week -- April through August.

We look forward to your coming and joining us for a summer of fun and teamwork.

Please RSVP the Ogle County Extension Office at (815) 732-2191 if you are planning on attending the meeting. With living in Northern Illinois in February, we may have to cancel the meeting because of weather.



OGLE COUNTY 4-H



Poultry Clinic

Presented by Philip Newendyke.

The Newendyke Family raises and exhibits standard bred poultry.

FEBRUARY 22, 2020 | 1:30 TO 3:30 PM
AT INSTRUCTORS FARM
1205 N ROCK RD
OREGON, IL 61061

Clinic topics include:

1. Determining your level of participation/goals:
Poultry Breeder or summer project?
2. Providing the best animal husbandry at all levels of participation.
3. Raising poultry: the Ups and Downs
(pleasure/winning & death/pests)
4. Conditioning and show preparation; it doesn't start on show day.
5. You be the judge: What judges look for and expect.
6. Tour the Newendyke facilities and see the birds.



Please RSVP to the Ogle County Extension Office
at 815-732-2191 by February 14th.

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STATE 4-H INFORMATION:

Here's Help to Pay for College

FARM CREDIT ILLINOIS SCHOLARSHIPS

High school seniors planning careers in agriculture may apply for a \$2,000 scholarship. Farm Credit Illinois will provide 30 scholarships to youth who live or farm in one of the 60 counties in their service area. The first \$1,000 will be distributed for the Fall 2019 semester, and the second \$1,000 will be applied during the Fall 2021 semester. Apply online at farmcreditIL.com before March 1. Are going to University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences? The college is MATCHING this scholarship, dollar for dollar! Double your money while getting a great ag education!

FAMILY LEGACY FUTURE



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More than **\$875,000**
in scholarships are awarded annually
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Visit www.iaafoundation.org

Application Period: **December 1, 2019 - February 1, 2020**

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STATE 4-H 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

State Coming Events

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| February 1 | Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training, Jefferson County, Mt. Vernon |
| February 1 | DEADLINE: IAA Scholarships Due |
| February 8 | Poultry and Rabbit Workshop, Effingham |
| 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 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 |
| April 25 | National 4-H Day of Service |
| April 25 | Shooting Sports Training, Williamson County |
| 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 2 – 6 | Week 1: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp |
| June 7 – 11 | Week 2: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp |
| June 13 | Shooting Sports Training, Pike County |
| June 15 | State Livestock Judging Contest |
| June 15-18 | Week 3: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp |

STATE 4-H 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

State Coming Events Continued

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| June 18 – July 17 | Outbound to Costa Rica |
| June 18 – August 6 | Outbound to Japan |
| June 21 – June 26 | Illini Summer Academies |
| June 24 – July 24 | Outbound to Norway |
| June 24 – July 24 | Outbound to Romania |
| June 28 – July 28 | Outbound to Taiwan |
| July 4 – 11 | Citizenship Washington Focus |
| July 5 – 9 | Week 4: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp |
| July 8 – August 6 | Outbound to Japan |
| July 15 – August 13 | Outbound to South Korea |
| July 22 – August 17 | Inbound youth from Japan and South Korea in states |
| July 26 – 30 | Week 5: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp |
| July 26 – August 2 | Illinois State Junior Horse Show, Springfield |
| August 14 | Bureau, Carroll, Champaign, Coles, Cumberland, DeWitt, Ford, Fulton, Henry, Iroquois, Jo Daviess, LaSalle, Lee, Macon, Marshall-Putnam, Mason, Mercer, Moultrie-Douglas, Peoria, Piatt, Rock Island, Shelby, Stark, Stephenson, Tazewell, Vermilion, Whiteside, Winnebago. |
| 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 |
| August 16 | Adams, Bond, Boone, Brown, Calhoun, Cass, Clinton, Edwards, Gallatin, Greene, Grundy, Hamilton, Hancock, Henderson, Jefferson, Kankakee, Knox, Lake, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, McDonough, McHenry, Monroe, Morgan, Pike, Pope-Hardin, Richland, Saline, Schuyler, Scott, St. Clair, Wabash, Warren, Washington, Wayne, White, Will |
| August 14-16 | State 4-H Public Speaking Contest, Illinois State Fair, Springfield |
| August 17 | State 4-H Poultry Show, State Fair |
| August 17 | IL State Fair junior poultry show |
| August 18 | Illinois 4-H Foundation Celebration Event at the State Fair |
| August 22 | IL State Fair junior rabbit show |
| August 29 | State 4-H Dog Show, Dixon |
| September 12 | Shooting Sports Training, Winnebago County |
| September 19 | State Archery Shoot, Pekin |
| September 26 | State Shotgun Shoot, Brittany Shooting Park |
| October 10, 11 | State Rifle & Pistol Shoot, Bloomington |



NATIONAL 4-H INFORMATION:

SUMMIT REGISTRATION IS OPEN

The National Youth Summit Series consists of multi-day programs focused on giving youth real-world exposure in the fields of Agri-Science, Healthy Living, and Photography for grades 9 - 12. Register today to expand your knowledge and create lasting friendships!



4-H ALUMNI FEATURED IN SPORTS ILLUSTRATED KIDS

Tennessee 4-H alumnus and New York Jets linebacker, Avery Williamson, is featured in the December issue of Sports Illustrated Kids! Pick up a copy and watch this video to learn more about his 4-H story and how he is using his passion for farming to pay it forward.



REGISTER FOR SUMMER 2020

Don't miss the opportunity of a lifetime to learn in the living classroom of Washington, DC. Learn more about the 4-H citizenship programs Citizenship and Leadership Washington Focus. These programs give your youth the opportunity to develop civic leadership skills and actionable solutions to complex community issues.

July

Horse Show Events at the Illinois State Fair Grounds

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
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| 12 Palomino Show Non-Fair Event | 13 Palomino Show Non-Fair Event | 14 Palomino Show Non-Fair Event | 15 Palomino Show Non-Fair Event | 16 Palomino Show Non-Fair Event | 17 Reiner move in Put sand in arena State Fair Event | 18 Reining Show Starting at 3:00 P.M. State Fair Event |
| 19 Reining Show Starting at 7:30 A.M. State Fair Event | 20 Reining Show Starting at 7:30 A.M. State Fair Event | 21 Reining Show Over at noon AQHA Show Starting at 6:30 pm | 22 AQHA Show Starting at 8:00 A.M. State Fair Event | 23 Appaloosa Show Starting at 8:00 A.M. State Fair Event | 24 Paint Show Starting at 8:00 A.M. State Fair Event | 25 Paint Show Starting at 8:00 A.M. State Fair Event |
| 26 Jr Horse Show Schooling over jumps In the After Noon 4:00 to 8:00 State Fair Event | 27 Jr Horse Show English Dressage Classes Jumping, Hunt Saddle Seat State Fair Event | 28 Jr Horse Show English Showmanship, Conformation Equitation State Fair Event | 29 Jr Horse Show English/Western Trail Class Traditional, Stock Pattern Costume Class Scholarship Award State Fair Event | 30 Jr Horse Show Western Ranch Riding and Pleasure and Horsemanship State Fair Event | 31 Jr Horse Show Western Horsemanship Gymkhana in the MPA in the afternoon State Fair Event | |

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August

Horse Show Events at the Illinois State Fair Grounds

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
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| | | | | | | 1 Jr Horse Show Western Conformation, Showmanship, Egg&Spoon, Versatility Start at 5:00 P.M. State Fair Event |
| 2 Jr Horse Show Western Pleasure & Reining State Fair Event | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Move In | 8 Move In |
| 9 | 10 1st Session State Fair Event | 11 1st Session State Fair Event | 12 1st Session State Fair Event | 13 1st Session State Fair Event State Fair Starts | 14 | 15 Show of Champions State Fair Event |
| 16 Draft Horse Show State Fair Event | 17 Draft Horse Show State Fair Event | 18 Draft Horse Show State Fair Event | 19 | 20 2nd Session State Fair Event | 21 2nd Session State Fair Event | 22 2nd Session State Fair Event |
| 23 Draft Horse Pull State Fair Event | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 Mounted Shooting State Fair Event |
| 30 Mounted Shooting State Fair Event | 31 | | | | | |

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE EXTENSION:

Cooking Under Pressure Using Air Fryers & Pressure Cookers



Date: Thursday, January 30, 2020
Time: 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Location: Stephenson County Senior Activity Center, 216 E. Stephenson Street, Freeport

Registration: Program fee is \$5 per person. Pre-registration is requested due to limited seating.



Join us as we learn helpful tips on using air fryers and pressure cookers, the pros and cons of using each as well as receive tasty recipes.

**Registration Deadline:
Monday, January 27, 2020**

To register or for more information:
Call our office at (815) 235-4125
or visit us online at web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw

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Check out up-coming events



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Dreaming of Spring?

Get a jump start and attend our inspiring annual horticulture event!

JOYS OF GARDENING

Saturday, February 15, 2020
8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
\$15-\$25-\$30

Presented by University of Illinois Extension at Highland Community College, 2998 W Pearl City Rd, Freeport IL

Featuring the keynote presentation
10 Mistakes I Made in My Vegetable Garden
breakout sessions, and lunch.

Register at
University of Illinois Extension
815-235-4125
go.illinois.edu/jsw



MEALS FOR A Healthy HEART



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 20 & 27, 2020

Senior Activity Center
216 E Stephenson St.,
Freeport, IL
1:00 - 3:00 PM

\$20 per person for all three days



COME TO PRETZEL CITY KITCHEN FOR:

CAN YOU COOK UNDER PRESSURE?

Friday, February 7, 2020
6:00-8:00 pm
\$5 per person



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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE EXTENSION:

2020 Illinois Dairy Summit

Planning for the Future

Thursday, February 6

Stephenson County Farm Bureau
210 W Spring St
Freeport, IL

Pre-registration will be available online but not required. Pre-register at www.illinoismilk.org/2020-summit

Summit fees will be \$15.00 per person, and collected at the door.



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US CROP MARKET OUTLOOK



The US Crop Market Outlook presentation will focus on the corn, soybean and wheat market, provide analysis of supply and demand factors impacting market prices. The implications for marketing year average prices as well as the likely patterns of prices over the next year will be discussed.

NO CHARGE
Pre-registration
REQUIRED by
Monday
February 24

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2020
10 A.M. TO NOON

HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
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2998 W PEARL CITY RD, FREEPORT, IL

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Save the Date: March 14, 2020

25th Anniversary: Tri-State Forest Stewardship Conference

- 2020 marks the 25th Anniversary of the Tri-State Forest Stewardship
- **Date:** Saturday, March 14, 2020
- **Keynote Speaker:** Mr. Paul DeLong
 - Sr. VP, Am. Tree Farm System
 - Former WI-DNR State Forester
 - “The White Oak Initiative”
- **New Location:** The Conference Center at Highland Community College (Freeport, IL)
- **Contacts:**
 - Mr. Jay Hayek (jhayek@illinois.edu)
 - Dr. Billy Beck (wjbeck@iastate.edu)
- This annual conference attracts 400+ woodland owners and conservation enthusiasts from the Tri-State area of Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, and beyond

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TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
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Designed to inform producers about legislation, registration, best management practices, and processing of this new crop.

Topics include: Variety selection and cloning, greenhouse production tips, seeding methods, drying and ethanol extraction, insurance, marketing and MORE!

The day will include updates from the University of Illinois Extension and the Illinois Hemp Growers Association. For a complete agenda, visit our website at go.illinois.edu/jsw.

COST IS \$25 PER PERSON
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Industrial Hemp Production Workshop slated for March 24

Freeport, IL----The signing of the Illinois hemp bill has provided opportunities for the cultivation, distribution, and processing of hemp for fiber, grain, and CBD. This versatile cash crop has the potential to empower small farmer, but is not without its own set of challenges regarding planting methods, fertility, harvesting, storage and extraction. To help give some perspective on the lessons learned from the 2019 growing season, University of Illinois Extension will be hosting its 2nd annual “Industrial Hemp Production Workshop” at Highland Community College’s Student Conference Center on March 24th, 2020. The workshop will begin at 8:30 and run until 3 p.m.

“We learned a lot this year, but I am not sure that anyone was truly ready for the challenges associated with growing hemp,” Extension Educator Phillip

Alberti said. “We are a long way from giving research-based recommendations to our growers on how to grow hemp, start to finish. But what we can do is bring together those who have faced these challenges head on and share their experiences while research programs are developed.”

The “Industrial Hemp Production Workshop” will host a wide range of presenters who are involved in the industry, discussing topics such as production challenges, variety selection, greenhouse/indoor propagation, seeding methods, extraction, insurance, and marketing.

Those interested in viewing a complete agenda or attending the workshop may register online at go.illinois.edu/jsw or by calling the University of Illinois Extension-Stephenson County at 815-235-4125.

The cost of the program is \$25, which includes light refreshments and lunch. Pre-registrations are encouraged due to limited seating.

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8-hour Course

Saturday, January 25, 2020

Registration 7:30 a.m. – 8 a.m.

Training 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (bring a sack lunch)

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REGISTRATION

To register, please mail completed form CONTACT of Northern Illinois
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