



# NEWSFLASH



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December 13, 2019

*Inspired to Lead— Called to Serve*

Happy Friday 4-H Families!

This is your last Newsflash for 2019! I am sure many of you are all finished shopping and decorating, unlike myself that still has a million things to accomplish before Christmas. It will all get completed in time.

On page 7, I have included information from the state about the required annual YQCA training for members showing livestock animals directly entering the food production system. This is a mandatory requirement to be able to show at the 4-H fair this year if you are planning to show **swine, sheep, goats, beef or dairy**. I have organized a face-to-face training at the Freeport Public Library on Feb. 11. The face-to-face trainings are discounted to \$3 per member (pre-registration is required on the YQCA website) and you may attend the training in **ANY** county, **OR** you can choose to complete the annual training in the comfort of your home on your own time for \$12. Your children need to register with your 4-H Online information here: <https://yqca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login>. I figured some of you would want to have the kids get this completed over the holiday break.

Additionally, I have attached information about 4-H camp for those that are interested in attending and an updated calendar of events.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and the Best for 2020! Please feel free to contact me anytime!

In peace, Becky Gocken



Find us on  
Facebook!



Merry Christmas from the Winnebago, Stephenson and JoDaviess  
County Extension Offices!

## STEPHENSON COUNTY 4-H INFORMATION



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2019  
10- 11:00 A.M.**

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS EXTENSION-  
STEPHENSON COUNTY  
COST: \$10**

Students will create a cookie mix (nut free) in a jar to give as a gift. We will also be making cinnamon ornaments! Grab a friend and sign up today!  
Register Online @ [go.illinois.edu/jsw](http://go.illinois.edu/jsw) or by calling the office at 815-235-4125

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## Chase the Chill

Sunday, Dec. 15

2-3:30 p.m.

Freeport Public Library

Watch the Facebook page for weather updates!

Contact Kelly Miller @ [kelliagh7@hotmail.com](mailto:kelliagh7@hotmail.com) for more info!

## Super Saturday Workshop Teachers

### Needed!

**March 6, 2020  
9 a.m.- Noon**

**Please email or call Becky if you  
can help us!**

**815-235-4125 or [rgocken@illinois.edu](mailto:rgocken@illinois.edu)**



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2020  
10- 11:00 A.M.**

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS EXTENSION-  
STEPHENSON COUNTY  
HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS-  
BUILDING R, ROOM 153**

The day will focus on the basics of starting your poultry project!

- The following will be covered:
- Preparing for chicks
  - Feeding
  - Getting started with pigeons
  - Lots of general information

For more information contact Rita Koch at 815-449-2910  
Please RSVP to the Stephenson County Extension Office at <http://go.illinois.edu/jsw>  
or call (815) 235-4125 by Friday, January 17 by 4 p.m.

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**4-H CAMP 2020 - JUNE 8 - 12**

**Register For Camp at:**

<https://extension.illinois.edu/bdo/northern-illinois-4-h-camp>

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## STEPHENSON COUNTY 4-H CLUB UPDATES/ SHOUT OUTS

### Lena Lucky Clovers

The Lena Lucky Clovers decorated a tree on Nov 30th for the Enchanted Forest at the Lena Living Center.



### Lena Live Wires

The Lena Live Wires decorated a tree at the Lena Living Center and participated in Lena's Magical Hometown Christmas Parade.



### Freeport Fantastics

Freeport Fantastics had their annual Christmas Caroling at Oakley Courts on Monday December 9. We sing carols and handout cards that we all make. Thank you to Carson our bass clarinet soloist and Clara and Corinne, our pianists.





## Bunnies Looking for Loving Homes!

Kelly Beard has 10 8-week-old baby bunnies looking for loving 4-H homes! They are weaned, eat both bunny food and veggies. They have been kept in a cage in a garage. If interested, you can email her at Kelly Beard <kellrush@hotmail.com>.



# STEPHENSON COUNTY IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

## DECEMBER 2019

- 15 **Enrollment due date to enroll in 4-H Online for ALL members**
- 17 4-H Archery Shooting Sports Fall Program
- 21 10:00 a.m. Christmas Gift in a Jar Workshop (cost \$10)
- 24– Jan 1 Office Closed for Holidays (Re-open January 2, 2020)

## JANUARY 2020

- 3 10:30 a.m. 4-H Ambassadors Meeting, HCC, Bldg. R, Room 153
- 18 9– 12:30 p.m. Dog Show Clinic, Dixon
- 20 Office Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 25 10:00 a.m. Poultry Clinic, HCC, Bldg. R, Room 153
- 25-26 Teen Leadership Conference, Decatur

## FEBRUARY 2020

- 5 6:30 p.m. **Organizational Leaders Meeting**
- 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
- 22 Beef Weigh In Snow Date
- 22-23 Junior Leadership Conference, Effingham

## MARCH 2020

- 7 9– Noon Super Saturday, HCC, Building R
- 13-14 Boys Science Siesta, Discovery Center, Rockford
- 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
- 18-25 National Volunteer Week
- 19 11-2 p.m. 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Stephenson County 4-H & Extension Foundation Pork Chop Dinner, Eagles Club 1200 West Galena Ave, Freeport

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 unstable. 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!



**Stephenson County Fair**

is

**July 21-25!**

**General Projects Day is July 8th!**

More info about other shows coming soon!

## STATE 4-H INFORMATION:



### Getting a Jump on the 4-H Dog Project!

Get a jump on all that's possible in the 4-H dog project at a NEW workshop 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 18 at the Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center in Dixon. The workshop will include a live agility demonstration, hands-on grooming lessons specific to your breed, health and nutrition tips, and a live rally demonstration. The event is sponsored by the Illinois State 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team. Pre-registration is not required.

### Think Summer and Make Plans for 4-H Camp

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.

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

### Aim High for the Illinois State Fair

Make plans now to attend the Illinois State Fair. The 4-H General Project Show will be three days, Aug. 14-16 in Springfield.

**Our exhibit day is August 14, 2020.**

### Nominations open for 2020 Salute to Excellence Volunteer Awards

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 volunteer who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism. Nominate outstanding local volunteers for consideration by contacting the Extension office. The two categories for nominations 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 **County Office by Thursday, January 2, 2020** which will allow us to meet the *Thursday, January 9, 2020* submission deadline set by the State 4-H Office. Submission criteria is available at the Extension Office.



### 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](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.

### Explore the Nation's Capital

For over 50 years, thousands of 4-H members have traveled to Washington, DC to participate in Citizenship Washington Focus, a life-changing week that empowers 4-H'ers to take their leadership skills to the next level for themselves and their communities. The trip is July 4 – 11, 2020. You must be at least 14 by May 1, 2020. During the week, you will explore the federal legislative process through workshops and hands-on sessions, tour historical sights and museums, give your voice on issues, visit federal legislative offices, and meet teens from other states. The 2020 cost is estimated to be \$1,305, with financial assistance being provided from the Illinois 4-H Foundation. **Registration deadline is Friday, January 3, 2020.** Register at [go.illinois.edu/4HCWF](http://go.illinois.edu/4HCWF).



## STATE 4-H INFORMATION:

### 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.

Feb. 11, 2020 Freeport Public Library



### Save the date for 2020 Illini Summer Academies

The college exploration event of the year is set for 2020. Illinois 4-H Illini Summer Academies will be held June 21 – 27 on the University of Illinois campus. Registration opens March 16 and runs through April 17 for participants. Youth requesting financial assistance should apply January 31 thru March 1. Look for new information soon.

### Change Lives, Be a 4-H Camp Counselor

It may be cooling off now, but summer will return, and we need you to help mentor the campers at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Applications will be available in January. We're looking for certified lifeguards and young adults interested in fishing, shelter building, tree and wildlife identification, and other outdoor adventures. We also need counselors interested in STEM programming. For information, contact Andy Davis @ [ardavis1@illinois.edu](mailto:ardavis1@illinois.edu) or call 217-762-2741.

### Take the Next Step in Your Leadership Journey

February 22 & 23 | Effingham, IL

You'll laugh. You'll make new friends. You'll even learn cool ideas to take back to your own 4-H Club at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration will open in November at [go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc). This year's conference will be held at the Holiday Inn in Effingham!

### 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.

### Take a Trip Across the Globe

4-H is not only the largest youth development program in the United States. It is also in 60 countries around the world! Through this network, Illinois 4-H offers youth and their families an opportunity to think globally, grow in their cultural awareness, and gain knowledge about the world through international exchange programs that include both hosting and travelling abroad. These are coordinated in partnership with the States' 4-H International Exchange Program which works with Cooperative Extension programs across the nation. <https://www.states4hexchange.org/>.

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/](https://www.states4hexchange.org/).

STATE 4-H INFORMATION:

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**REGISTER NOW**  
[go.illinois.edu/4HJLC](http://go.illinois.edu/4HJLC)



**BE THE LEADER  
YOUR CLUB NEEDS!**

**BOOK YOUR TRIP TODAY**

Only 100 spots available  
*Registration closes January 24  
(or at capacity)*

**COST: \$170**  
**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE ONLINE**

**February 22-23**

ARRIVE 10 - 11 AM Saturday, Feb. 22  
DEPART by 11:30 AM Sunday, Feb. 23

Keller Convention Center  
1202 Keller Drive | Effingham  
**7th & 8th grade 4-H members**

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## STATE 4-H INFORMATION:



HAVE LOTS OF  
**FUN**  
MAKE AMAZING NEW  
**FRIENDS**  
WHILE YOU DO CRAZY, HANDS-ON  
**LEARNING**

## Workshop Descriptions

### Follow Our Lead

Follow our lead as we take a trip to India to learn and practice dancing fusion style. On our journey, we will experience the culture and rich history dance has to offer.

### Pass the Plate

This workshop will be your gateway to nutrition around the world. We will be exploring international diets, learning about proper nutrition and completing a food science experiment.

### Weathering the Storm of Agriculture

Are you experiencing the calm before the storm? Do you know how weather and agriculture affect one another? Come see the impact of both agriculture and weather across the globe.

### Tacky Tourist Trivia

Explore the world of trivia with your tacky tourist guides. Throughout the trivia tour, you will test your knowledge of the world, 4-H, pop culture, and more as you work with your team to win the Tacky Trivia Tournament.

### Flying Into the Virtual World

Explore STEM with 4-H! Take a trip to Europe, South America and Africa through the world of Virtual Reality. Put your problem solving skills to work and help solve international problems in the form of fun engineering challenges. Come work with 4-H to explore the world of technology that surrounds us and those in other counties!

### Community Service

Join us in learning more about food insecurity in Illinois and across the globe. We will also be packaging and distributing meals across the state.



## JOIN THE STATE 4-H LIVESTOCK AMBASSADOR TEAM AT THE STATE 4-H DOG CLINIC



**State 4-H Dog Clinic**  
**Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center**  
**613 River Lane, Dixon, IL**  
**Saturday, January 18, 2020**  
**9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**Come out & learn tips on how to best prepare for 4-H dog shows. Expert handlers will present an interactive hands-on clinic covering all facets of dog showing. The clinic is free and all Illinois 4-H members are invited to attend! Participants should not bring dogs.**

**Pre-register for free at:**

**<https://go.illinois.edu/state4-Hdogclinic>**



### **Program:**

- 9:00 a.m. - Agility**
- 9:45 a.m. - Grooming**
- 10:15 a.m.- Health & nutrition**
- 10:45 a.m.- Dog Trivia fun with  
Livestock Ambassador Team**
- 11:15 a.m. - Rally Demo & walk through**



**Information contact: Dan Jennings 815-218-4358**

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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](http://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!

#### **TEACH OUTDOOR SCHOLARSHIP**

A \$500 Scholarship will be awarded to a student who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student. Applications are due January 1 and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>.

#### **JOYCE BETZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

A \$1,000 Scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H member who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student. Applications are due January 1 and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>. Joyce was a 4-H club leader in Will County.

### **Understanding Copyright and Trademark Laws**

When an author, musician, designer, or artist creates something, it is immediately protected by copyright or trademark laws and other people can't use it or create something similar. Original works such as stories, music, pictures, plays, dances, sculpture, movies, and architecture are protected. 4-H members should use caution when working on a speech, display, or exhibit so you don't use something that doesn't belong to you.

4-H members can't draw or copy someone else's design, logo, words, or music without the permission of the original owner. That means, you can't draw a logo (such as Ford or John Deere) and use it on your exhibit. You can't create Mickey Mouse ears on your cake. You can't draw a Disney princess. You can't put SpongeBob image on your natural resource project exhibit board.

Think of it like this. You wouldn't take your neighbor's bike and ride it around to make your life easier without getting permission first. That would be stealing. When you take words, art, graphics, or photographs that aren't yours but use them like they are, that's stealing, too. Copying them from the internet is the same as stealing them unless you are using a site specifically created for free use of images.

For more information on what's allowed, contact Judy at [illinois4H@illinois.edu](mailto:illinois4H@illinois.edu) and ensure you're respecting the rights of others.



# STATE 4-H 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## 2020 Dates

January 1	DEADLINE: Teach Outdoor Scholarship
January 1	DEADLINE: Joyce Betz Scholarship
January 3	DEADLINE: Citizenship Washington Focus registration
January 9	DEADLINE: Salute to Excellence
January 18	Dog Clinic, Dixon, IL
February 22 – 23	Junior Leadership Conference, Effingham
March 1	DEADLINE: Farm Credit Scholarship
March 14	2020 Awards Banquet by invitation only
April 25	National 4-H Day of Service
June 2 – 6	Week 1: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
June 7 – 11	Week 2: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
June 15	State Livestock Judging Contest
June 15-18	Week 3: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
June 18 – July 17	Outbound to Costa Rica
June 18 – August 6	Outbound to Japan
June 21 – June 27	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 26 – 30	Week 5: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
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



## 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!



### YOUTH VOICES

In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. 4-H *Youth Voices* places the spotlight on the diverse perspectives of youth from all beliefs and backgrounds who are creating positive change in the world around us. From battling the opioid crisis to fighting mental health stigmas to reducing food waste through local advocacy, 4-H'ers are helping solve some of the nation's greatest challenges.



### REGISTER FOR CWF SUMMER 2020

Week 1 for Citizenship Washington Focus is almost sold out! Register today for opportunities to learn about topics like civil discourse and to create a national network of friends and mentors.

**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>
			<b>1</b> <b>Arabian Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>2</b> <b>Arabian Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>3</b> <b>Arabian Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>4</b> <b>Arabian Show</b> Non-Fair Event <b>Barrel Racing</b> <b>MPA</b> State Fair Event
<b>5</b> <b>Arabian Show</b> Non-Fair Event <b>Barrel Racing</b> <b>MPA</b> State Fair Event	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>8</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>9</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>10</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>11</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event
<b>12</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>13</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>14</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>15</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>16</b> <b>Palomino Show</b>  Non-Fair Event	<b>17</b> <b>Reiner move in</b> <b>Put sand in arena</b> State Fair Event	<b>18</b> <b>Reining Show</b> Starting at 3:00 P.M. State Fair Event
<b>19</b> <b>Reining Show</b> Starting at 7:30 A.M.  State Fair Event	<b>20</b> <b>Reining Show</b> Starting at 7:30 A.M.  State Fair Event	<b>21</b> <b>Reining Show</b> Over at noon <b>AQHA Show</b> Starting at 6:30 pm	<b>22</b> <b>AQHA Show</b> Starting at 8:00 A.M.  State Fair Event	<b>23</b> <b>Appaloosa Show</b> Starting at 8:00 A.M.  State Fair Event	<b>24</b> <b>Paint Show</b> Starting at 8:00 A.M.  State Fair Event	<b>25</b> <b>Paint Show</b> Starting at 8:00 A.M.  State Fair Event
<b>26</b> <b>Jr Horse Show</b> Schooling over jumps In the After Noon 4:00 to 8:00  State Fair Event	<b>27</b> <b>Jr Horse Show English</b> Dressage Classes Jumping, Hunt Saddle Seat State Fair Event	<b>28</b> <b>Jr Horse Show English</b> Showmanship, Conformation Equitation State Fair Event	<b>29</b> <b>Jr Horse Show</b> English/Western Trail Class Traditional, Stock Pattern Costume Class Scholarship Award State Fair Event	<b>30</b> <b>Jr Horse Show</b> Western Ranch Riding and Pleasure and Horsemanship  State Fair Event	<b>31</b> <b>Jr Horse Show</b> Western Horsemanship Gymkhana in the MPA in the afternoon State Fair Event	

**2020**

**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>
						<b>1</b> <b>Jr Horse Show</b> Western Conformation, Showmanship, Egg&Spoon, Versatility Start at 5:00 P.M. State Fair Event
<b>2</b> <b>Jr Horse Show</b> Western Pleasure & Reining State Fair Event	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>  Move In	<b>8</b>  Move In
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>1st Session</b>  State Fair Event	<b>11</b> <b>1st Session</b>  State Fair Event	<b>12</b> <b>1st Session</b>  State Fair Event	<b>13</b> <b>1st Session</b>  State Fair Event State Fair Starts	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Show of Champions</b>  State Fair Event
<b>16</b> <b>Draft Horse Show</b> State Fair Event	<b>17</b> <b>Draft Horse Show</b> State Fair Event	<b>18</b> <b>Draft Horse Show</b> State Fair Event	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>2nd Session</b> State Fair Event	<b>21</b> <b>2nd Session</b> State Fair Event	<b>22</b> <b>2nd Session</b> State Fair Event
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE EXTENSION:



**ILLINOIS EXTENSION**  
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL, CONSUMER  
& ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Tuesday, January 14 2020

# NORTHWEST ILLINOIS AGRONOMY SUMMIT

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

The theme for this year's conference  
is Updates in Nutrient and Pest  
Management in corn and soybeans.

For Certified Crop Advisors, 4 CEU's will  
be available

Hosted by University of Illinois Extension at  
Highland Community College,  
Student Conference Center (Building H),  
2998 W. Pearl City Road, Freeport, IL  
\$30 Registration Fee  
To Register Call Us At 815-235-4125  
Or Visit Us Online At  
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### Private Applicator Test Offered in Freeport and Elizabeth

The University of Illinois Extension-Stephenson and Jo Daviess Counties in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Agriculture will be offering **TEST ONLY** sites for Private Pesticide Applicators. A representative from the Illinois Department of Agriculture will be on hand to offer the test starting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 18 in Stephenson county and at 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 20 in Jo Daviess county.

The test only site for Stephenson will be located at Highland Community College Student Conference Center (building H) Room 201. Please use parking lot A.

The test only site for Jo Daviess will be located at the Elizabeth Community Center located on Highway 20, Elizabeth, IL..

There is no charge for this event but pre-registration is requested to plan for space and materials. Reminder: this is a test only session, no training will be provided.



## Intro to Apple Tree Pruning: The Older and Neglected (Freeport)

University of Illinois Extension Local Foods and Small Farms Educator Grant McCarty will teach Intro to Apple Tree Pruning: The Older and Neglected on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. The class will be held twice that day, 10 a.m. to Noon and again from 6 to 8 p.m. in room 210 of the Highland Community College Student Conference Center (Building H), 2998 W Pearl City Road, Freeport (use parking lot A). Registration cost for this program is \$5 and pre-registration is required by Monday, January 20. To register, click on the "Register On-line" on the right or call us at 815-235-4125.

You may have inherited property that has a number of mature apple trees. You may also have ignored and neglected your apple trees for a number of years. Whichever category you fall into, it is not too late to get your trees on the path towards productive yields.

This course will go into the decisions you need to make when it comes to getting mature apple trees back into shape over the next couple of years. Topics to be covered include when to let go of trees, basics of seasonal/older pruning, disease/insect management, choices of tools, making the first cuts of a multi-year process, and working through visual examples of trees that have been neglected.

# gingerbread

# HOUSE

## DECORATING CONTEST



**STEPHENSON  
COUNTY  
FARM  
BUREAU**

December 16 – Gingerbread Houses need to arrive at office between 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Public Voting**

December 17- 19 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

December 20 from 8:00 a.m. – Noon

Winners will be announced at 1:00 p.m. on December 20

Each participant will receive a \$25 gift card.

Top 3 houses will receive an additional monetary award that will be donated to a charity in their name.

The top house will also have \$1.00 for each vote donated to their charity of choice.  
(Contest is limited to 10 houses.)

Houses must be made with more than half edible ingredients

House base can not exceed 2 ft by 2 ft

### REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Stephenson County Charity for donation winnings:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_





# FAMILY LEGACY FUTURE



More than **\$875,000**  
in scholarships are awarded annually  
through the Illinois Farm Bureau  
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Application Period: **December 1, 2019 - February 1, 2020**



May your  
*Head, Heart, Hands & Health*  
be filled with the  
holiday spirit!

