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4-H Public Speaking Contest Held

4-H members participated in the annual 4-H Public Speaking Contest on Thursday, April 4 at the Extension Office in Carlinville.

4-H members participating in this contest and receiving blue ribbons were as follows: Illustrated Speech-Beginner: Todd Brawley of Gillespie; Formal Speech-Beginner: Mary Behme of Carlinville and Carly Rhodes of Chesterfield; Formal Speech-Advanced: Reese Heyen of Gillespie.

Those members awarded trophies for Top Public Presentations and State Fair Delegation were Reese Heyen for her speech on "Dementia Awareness," Todd Brawley for illustrated speech on "Salmonella," and Mary Behme for her speech on "Ag Through the Ages and Making the Best Better." State Fair Alternate selected was Carly Rhodes.

Elisha Hughes of Litchfield served as 4-H show judge. Hughes is a member of the Montgomery County Toastmasters. The Top Public Presentation trophies and awards were donated by Carlinville Eye Care, First National Bank of Raymond, and Farley & Annette Cole.

For more information on 4-H programs in Macoupin County, please contact the local Extension office at 217-854-9604.