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Spring Leader Meeting

Leaders, mark your calendars! On **April 4th at 6:30 p.m.** at the **Collinsville Office**, we will be hosting the Spring meeting for show book and fair entry information.

Leaders, please call **618-344-4230** to register by **Monday, April 1.**

Monroe County Office
901 Illinois Ave., PO Box 117
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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
618-344-4230, 618-344-5602 Fax

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Junior Leadership Conference!



Gabbi Hance, Grace Heepke, Calla Litteken, & Aubrie Young attended the Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference on Feb. 23-24 in Champaign. The Madison County group is pictured here with Illinois 4-H Youth Leadership Team chairperson, Parker Karrick.

The conference is organized by the Illinois State Youth Leadership Team for 7th and 8th grade students. It gives participants an opportunity to explore new 4-H project areas,

learn activities and games they can take home to their own 4-H clubs, learn and practice new leadership skills, and meet kids their age from across the state.

One activity that they participated in was a service project making dresses/shorts out of pillowcases for kids in Haiti.

ATTENTION 4-H Animal Project Members:

All 4-H members that are enrolled in ANY animal project for the FIRST time:

(Dog, Cat, Small Pets, Horse, Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goat, Dairy, Rabbit, Poultry) must complete the online **Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification (QAEC)** by **May 1st**. 4-H members that do not have the training completed by the deadline will have their name removed from the animal project they had enrolled in. This will mean you cannot show for 4-H or receive 4-H premiums or awards in that project area.



You must complete the basic training plus choose one species, and complete that. You do not have to do more than one species, no matter how many you show.

The link to the QAEC training is: <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

Please print your certificates for your records.

(If internet access is not available, 4-H members may come to the Extension Office to complete the training, please call and set up an appointment with us at 344-4230.)

This is a one-time training and good for all your 4-H years.

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Southern Illinois Sheep & Craft Festival

Saturday, April 13

Monroe County Fairgrounds

Youth Sheep & Goat

Judging Contest: 9:30am

Open to all youth.

Contestants will be divided into
two age groups:

Under 13 & Over 13

Cash Prizes!

4-H Federation members will be
hosting activities for the
Kids Corner from 9am-1pm!



Mark your calendars because Madison, Monroe, and St. Clair Counties' Public Speaking Contest will be held Friday, **April 5 at 7pm** at the *Monroe County Extension Office*.

Interested members must be registered online in Fair Entry by Tuesday, April 2.

The *State 4-H Public Speaking Contest* will be held **June 8, 2019** in Decatur! The Public Presentation category has been updated. For additional information and the new rules, please visit:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-state-public-speaking-contest>



Get your Poultry Tested

The Illinois Department of Agriculture is again enforcing a clear pullorum test for all 4-H and county poultry in shows lasting longer than one

day. The rule was suspended in 2018 due to a shortage of antigen. Be sure to allow adequate time and consult with your local veterinarian. This rule does not apply to waterfowl that normally swim, such as ducks and geese, per the county exhibition guidelines.

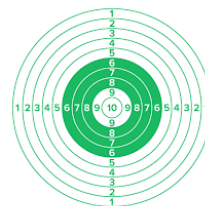
Contact Tim Rogier at [618-410-4105](tel:618-410-4105) or kimrogier@yahoo.com for more information.

College Scholarship Available

	Description	Amount	Application Deadline	Website to Apply
Lucille & Lester Korsmeyer 4-H Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 scholarship available to a high school senior who has been actively involved in 4-H for a minimum of four years. • You must be a <i>permanent resident</i> of Madison, Monroe, or St. Clair County. • The applicant will be chosen based on several criteria including a minimum 3.0 GPA based on a 4.0 scale, history of 4-H involvement and other school and community activities. • The recipient must attend either an <u>accredited four year college or university</u> or a <u>two year community college</u> in Illinois as a <i>fulltime</i> (12 hour minimum) student. 	\$1,000 for up to 4 years	Apr. 26, 2019	go.illinois.edu/ KorsmeyerScholarship2019

WARNING:
DEADLINES ARE CLOSER
THAN THEY APPEAR!

- **April 1** is the drop project deadline.
- **May 1** is the deadline for completing the QAEC training. Members who have not completed the training by that date will be dropped from ALL 4-H livestock projects & will be unable to show at county shows and/or state fair.
Please adhere to the May deadline.
- **May 1** deadline for Horse ownership/lease forms & photos must be turned into the Extension Office.



Madison County Shooting Sports Safety Training

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

6:30 PM

Madison County Farm Bureau, Edwardsville

Please call to register and secure your spot

618-344-4230

Members new to the 4-H Shooting Sports SPIN Clubs, must attend a safety training before they can participate. We offer shotgun and rifle disciplines.

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser



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Saturday, April 6

11:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**St. John's United Methodist Church
7372 Marine Road, Edwardsville**

Meal includes:

All You Can Eat Spaghetti,
salad, bread, beverage, dessert

Dine In or Carry Out

\$8.00 - Adults \$5.00 - 12 & under

Sponsored by: Madison County Extension Education Foundation. Working in cooperation with the University of Illinois Extension in Madison County, (344-4230) to generate funding for educational programming for county residents in the areas of home and commercial horticulture, Master Gardeners, Master Naturalists and 4-H programs.

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If you need a reasonable accommodation to attend this event please call (618) 344-4230.



Join 4-H Members and Clubs across Illinois and the nation on **Saturday, April 27** as part of **True Leaders in Service**. On this day, show the world how 4-H is making a difference in your community! While community service can happen all year long, if 4-H members and clubs plan to engage in service efforts before the end of April, they should plan to register their effort on the National 4-H True Leaders in Service website prior to Saturday, April 27. The website opens March 1 @ <https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/>. Community Service resources are available now!



Illini Summer Academies



Longer, bigger, better. See yourself at Illini Summer Academies

Spend 6 nights and 7 days on the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus for Illini Summer Academies. Registration opened March 1 at go.illinois.edu/illini4H.

The conference is open to youth who will have completed 8th thru 12th grade by the time of the conference and will be at least 14 by Sept. 1, 2019. There are **17** academies to choose from and cost varies based on the track you choose! Limited scholarships are available.

Remember, Madison County Extension Education Foundation offers scholarship support!

2019 State Fair Junior Livestock Requirements

Don't get left out of the show ring because your animal is too old or too young.

The 2019 Ownership and Birthdate Deadlines are posted online @

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



The fact sheet is in the Resource section at the bottom of each page.

Get HOOKed on Fishing!



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 4 and lasts until 2 p.m. Sunday, May 5. 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.

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Host an International Youth this Summer!

Host a Japanese or 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!



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 due April 1.

For more information, visit: <http://www.states4hexchange.org>, or contact Illinois representatives Miriam Rosenbohm @ rosenbohm07@comcast.net or Elisha Hughes @ ehugh2@illinois.edu

PAID Camp Counselor Positions Open

male applicants encouraged to apply

Earn a starting salary of \$1,925 while you work outside and lakeside for seven weeks this summer! Counselors, minimum age 16, are needed at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. You will live onsite at Memorial the following days: June 4-13, June 16-20, June 30 - July 4, July 7 - 12, and July 28 - Aug. 1.

Meals are provided. Counselors receive a week of training prior to the start of camp.

Training dates will be set later according to school schedules. Materials available online at

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-camp>.

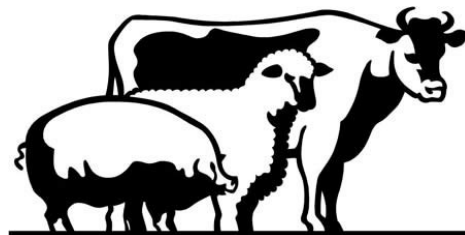


4-H Poultry Judging Returns to State Fair

The Illinois 4-H State Poultry Judging Contest will be held Wednesday, Aug. 7 immediately following the State Fair Junior Poultry Show at about 4:30 p.m. in Building 105 of the State Fairgrounds in Springfield. There is no limit to the number of exhibitors each county may send. Teams of three or four contestants may be submitted. The four top seniors (age 14-18 on Jan. 1, 2019) will compete as the Illinois team at the National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference in November. Registration begins at 4. Check out the state 4-H website on the Events page for all the details.

You be the Judge at Illinois 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest

The Illinois 4-H Livestock Judging Contest will be held **Monday, June 17** at the Stock Pavilion in Urbana, IL. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. All participants must be checked in by 9:30. The contest will begin at 10. Each county may enter a total of three teams, with no more than two junior teams or two senior teams. Get all the rules and details online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hlivestock.



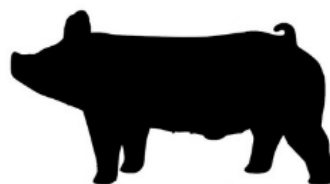
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Interested?

Register at: <https://go.illinois.edu/ChristianLivestockClinic>



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COME JOIN US FOR A LIVESTOCK CLINIC!

May 4th 8:30AM-3PM

Christian County Fairgrounds

****Registration Deadline: April 17th****

Schedule:

8:30-9 ~ Registration

9-11:30 ~ Sheep & Goats

11:30-12:30 ~ Lunch (Provided by
Christian County Farm Bureau)

12:30-3 ~ Hogs & Cattle

3 ~ Wrap-up

Cost: \$10

Registration fee includes T-shirt!

All 4-H ages welcome!

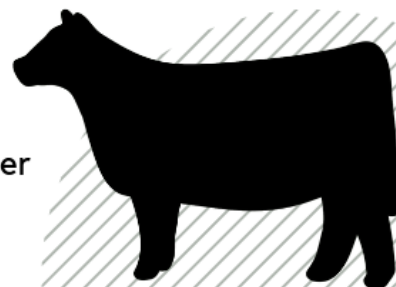
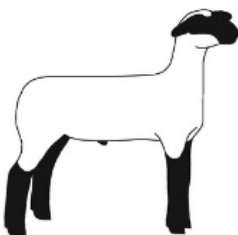
Presenters:

Sheep- Dustin Cruik

Hogs- Kane Austin

Cattle- Chuck Lemenager

Goats- Mike Earles



Register at: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=19598>

Christian County Fairgrounds 1716 West Spreser Taylorville, IL 62568

For questions about this event, call (217) 287-7246 or email at cgump@illinois.edu

Quit *foaling* around!

“Saddle up” for State & Regional horse events!

Regional horse contests will be held across the state. Winning teams and individuals advance to the state contests.

The State 4-H *Hippology* contest is **Saturday, April 13**, at 8 a.m. on the U of I campus. Cost is \$5/person.

The State 4-H *Horse Bowl* contest will be held **Sunday, April 14** at 8 a.m. on the U of I campus. Cost is \$5/entry or \$25/team.

Go to the Illinois 4-H Website @ go.illinois.edu/IL4H. Click on EVENTS, then State 4-H Horse Bowl or State 4-H Horse Hippology.

4-H members in our area should compete at:

SOUTHERN REGIONAL HORSE BOWL & HIPPOLOGY: March 30 at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Contact Elizabeth Miller, lizmill@illinois.edu, (618) 548-1446.

The *State 4-H Horse Speaking Contest* is **Saturday, April 13** at 10 a.m. on the U of I campus. Cost is \$3 per entry.

All 4-H members may participate. No pre-qualifying is needed. You must register at the Extension office by mid-March.

The *State 4-H Horse Judging Contest* will be held **Saturday, April 27 at Black Hawk College.**

Registration = 11 a.m. • Contest = 12 p.m.

The contest is open to **ALL** 4-H members. Pick up horse judging cards signed by Extension staff from the county office.

Go to the Illinois 4-H Website @ go.illinois.edu/IL4H. Click on EVENTS, then State 4-H Horse Judging.

Never too early to think about corn dogs!

Nearly 4,000 4-H members will return to exhibit livestock and general projects at the Illinois State Fair in August. Check out the days our county will be exhibiting at the General Project Show.

NEW IN 2019: Extension office will no longer sell parking passes in advance. Families should plan to pay for parking when they arrive. This will allow you to choose where you want to park (either at any of the private/ non-profit sponsored lots to the right of the fairgrounds road or in public lots on the state fairgrounds). The change was made to make it easier for families in case flooding closes some lots. Families can still purchase discounted entry tickets in advance at SOME Extension locations. As always, livestock exhibitors must purchase their passes when they make their livestock exhibit entries.



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Regional Hippology and Horse Bowl Contests; Carbondale	March 30, 2019
Drop Project Deadline; 4-H Online	April 1, 2019
Spring Leader Meeting, Collinsville	April 4, 2019; 6:30pm
Unit-wide Public Speaking Contest, Monroe County Extension Office	April 5, 2019; 7pm
Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser	April 6, 2019; 11:30 am-6:00pm
State 4-H Hippology & Horse Speaking contests, Champaign	April 13, 2019
State 4-H Horse Bowl contest, Champaign	April 14, 2019
Korsmeyer Scholarship Deadline	April 26, 2019
4-H National Day of Service	April 27, 2019
State 4-H Horse Judging Contest, Blackhawk College	April 27, 2019
QAEC deadline	May 1, 2019
4-H Day with the Cardinals	May 11, 2019; postmarked by April 1
Madison County Garden Tour, Edwardsville	June 14 (4:30-8:30pm); June 15, 2019 (9am-1pm)
Illini Summer Academies, Champaign	June 23-29, 2019
4-H Food & Clothing Show, Madison County Farm Bureau, Edwardsville	June 29, 2019
General Project Judging, Madison County Fair	July 22, 2019
Madison County Fair 4-H Livestock Shows	July 24-28, 2019
Fashion Revue, Madison County Fair	July 26, 2019
Madison County Day @ State Fair	August 10, 2019



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