



Richland County 4-H Clover Chatter

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Happening Now

March 3rd - Federation Meeting @ 1pm - Extension Office
March 4rd-10th - 4-H Week
March 14th - County Board Meal - Hilltoppers
March 16th - Shooting Sports @ 1pm - Veterans Hall
March 18th - Terrarium Workshop @ 10- 12am - Extension Office
April 11th - County Board Meal - Builders of the Future

Is there a club that is looking for a Community
Service project around Olney? It would be helping
out with some flower pots around town. If you
would like to help please let me know!



4-H Week Events

March 4 - Athletic Night - 6 - 8pm - Elementary Gym
March 5 - Electric Safety - 6:00 pm– Olney Wabash Valley FS
March 6 - Family Night/ Wear a 4-H Shirt to School
March 7 - Game & Movie Night - 5:30 - 8pm - Extension Office
March 8 - Dodgeball - 6 - 9pm - Elementary Gym
March 9 - Star Studio - 5:30 - 7:30pm
March 10 - Road Rally - Meet at the Extension Office at 1

Window Displays need to be in place by March 4 at 4:00 pm

**If you are planning on attending any of the events please let the
office know!**



Let's go 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 large-mouth 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.



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>.

Legislative Connection Dates

Illinois 4-H members who have completed *Speaking for Illinois 4-H* training and participated in the annual updates are invited to participate in **Legislative Connection** at the State Capitol in Springfield. There are four days in 2019: March 26 & 27 and May 8 & 9. All youth who have completed *Speaking for Illinois 4-H* training or complete one of the upcoming training opportunities will receive registration information through an email invitation.



If you are Showing Swine.....

All 4-H'ers enrolled in Swine that are showing a Market Hog at Fair **MUST** have an Extension issued Ear Tag that can be picked up at the Extension Office. You can tag up to 5 Market Hogs but are only allowed to show 1. Your Market hog **MUST** have an Extension issued tag in its ear to show at Fair. Please have paperwork back to the Extension office by May 1st.



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Be a true leader in service



Join 4-H Members and Clubs across Illinois and the nation on **Saturday, April 27** 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.

We'd like you to register your effort on the National 4-H True Leaders in Service website prior to April 27. Here is the link to the website, go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice. **The link to register your event is now OPEN. Resources to use to help in your planning are also available on the website.**

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. **Illinois members and/or clubs who complete the 5 steps below can claim a "national" 4-H activity on their end-of-year 4-H Experience Award Application.**

Register your event beforehand at go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice through the National 4-H Council website.

Go to go.illinois.edu/4Hservice and **find helpful resources** – the Illinois resources are also posted on the National 4-H True Leaders in Service website.

Promote your event on social media using #thats4H and #TrueLeaders. Tag @illinois4H for a chance at fun prizes for your club!

Complete your event then use the link to go back to the National 4-H True Leaders in Service site to **REPORT** the number of youth and adults who volunteered/participated in the service project; number of hours youth and adults were involved in the service effort; and upload photos of the event in action.

Go to go.illinois.edu/4Hservice after your event and **submit a report on what you did.**

Please use both the National and State registration links for registration and reporting to create greater visibility for the Illinois 4-H service events! **FUN FACT** – Illinois 4-H had more True Leaders in Service activities conducted and reported than **ANY OTHER STATE in 2018!** Let's see if we can go even bigger in 2019! *If you have questions, please contact Pat McGlaughlin, patm@illinois.edu.*

If you plan on Auctioning sheep/ goats this year at the 2019 Fair you will need to have them tattooed.

- **Tattoo up to 5 Sheep**
- **Tattoo up to 3 Goats.**



Extension Staff MUST be present at tattooing at the Richland County Fair Grounds!

If you have any questions or concerns please let the extension know.

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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. 4-H and FFA shows lasting only one day are also exempt.



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 (1402 West Pennsylvania Ave.) beginning with registration 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. There will be three classes of beef, three classes of swine and two classes of sheep. There may also be a class of meat goats substituted for one class of the other species. There will also be a class of 15 questions (5 from a beef class, 5 from a swine class and 5 from a sheep class). Cost for senior is \$10 to cover the cost of lunch. Juniors will be dismissed by lunch to get their own meals.

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.

Celebrate 4-H Volunteers April 7 – 13



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 7 – 13. 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 Richland County, there are 39 volunteers who inspire youth involved in local 4-H programs. 4-H and their leaders include: *Rowcroppers, Crazyhorse, Builders of the Future, Hilltoppers, Southern Smilers, Ridge Runners, Country Clovers, Berryville Jr Farmers, Stringtown Cloverbuds*



Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training Opportunities

Teens have an opportunity this spring to be trained as an Illinois 4-H spokesperson through the *Speaking for Illinois 4-H* program. Speaking for Illinois 4-H training is open to 4-H members who are 14 and older. Both will be all-day training experiences to prepare teens to support our local 4-H program by soliciting donors, speaking to community groups, and updating county boards or other community governing bodies about local 4-H impact. On a state level, those attending a training can register for 4-H Legislative Connection events at the State Capitol where they will tell their story to Illinois legislators. The registration cost is \$12.

WASHINGTON COUNTY: Attend training on Saturday, March 9 at Okawville Community Center, 905 N. Henrietta Street, Okawville. Register online @ go.illinois.edu/sfi4h.

LOGAN COUNTY: Attend training on Saturday, April 27 at the Logan County Extension office, 980 N. Postville Dr., Lincoln. Register online @ go.illinois.edu/sfi4h after March 28.

Plant your own pollinator garden

You can receive free seed to help establish habitats for honey bees and other pollinators with the help of the GROWMARK System. Growing the number of pollinator gardens this year will help provide even more habitat for bees and other beneficial pollinator species. Here's how:

Find a public place and get permission to plant a pollinator garden before you apply.

Complete the online application by April 1 @ www.bit.ly/2019GMKPollinator

If you have questions, contact Karen Jones, kjones@growmark.com or 309-557-6184.



Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification (QAEC)

All 4-H members enrolled in beef, dairy, goats, horses, poultry, swine, sheep, rabbits, dogs & cats **MUST** complete online QAEC to show at Fair. **This rule applies to 4-H Members who exhibit live animals AND poster exhibits.** This is a one time certification and is valid your entire 4-H career. You only need to take QAEC in one livestock area regardless of the number of livestock projects you are enrolled in. **The deadline to complete QAEC is JUNE 1.**

You can find the online training at:

<http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec>

Please remember to print a copy of your certificate for your records.

If you have trouble or questions, please call the Extension Office.

Illini Summer Academies

Spend 7 days and 6 nights on the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus for the 4-H Illini Summer Academies. Registration opens March 1 at go.illinois.edu/illini4H. Check in at 3 PM Sunday, June 23. The conference ends the morning of Saturday, June 29.

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 years old before the end of 2019. Cost varies based on the Academy section you choose! A limited number of scholarships are available.

Spend 18 hours in an up-close exploration of one of these exciting fields of study*:

Aerospace Engineering: \$440
 Ag Communications: Telling Stories of Ag & Environment: \$280
 Ag Mechanization: Horses to Drones: \$440
 Animal Nutrition & Welfare: From the Wild to the Mild: \$440
 Animal Sciences: \$350
 Work Hard & Play Hard: Health, Sports, and Wellness Careers: \$250
 Crop Science: Sustainable Food Systems: \$240
 Electrical & Computer Engineering: \$465
 Food Science & Human Nutrition: From Farm to Table: \$290 |
 Game Design: Digital Art, Storytelling & Fabrication: \$315
 Human Development & Family Studies: \$275
 Molecular & Cellular Biology: \$365
 MyPI Disaster Preparedness: \$400
 Natural Resources & Environmental Sciences: Sustainable Summer: \$240
 Light & Sound Technologies for Stage & Theater: TBD
 Veterinary Medicine: \$355

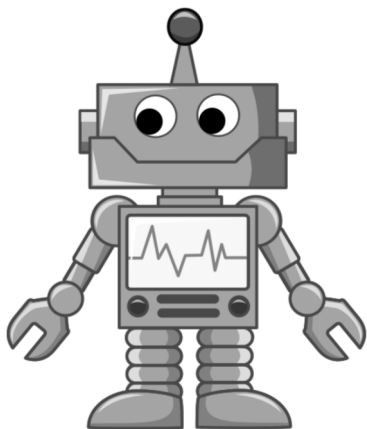


Outside of class time, you will be exploring campus, hanging with friends, and having adventures you will only find at the UIUC campus.

*prices and availability subject to change.

Register your team for Illinois 4-H STEMbot Robotics Competition

Join Illinois 4-H and over 500 youth at the 2019 State Robotics Challenge! This year's challenge revolves around one of the largest and fastest growing professional sectors in the world...STEM! As such, each task this year will revolve around STEM related fields and concepts, and will help illuminate some of the work that STEM professionals do.



This year's competition will take place at the McLean County Fairgrounds in Bloomington on Saturday, May 11. Team registration will close March 31. There is a \$20 Entry fee per team assessed at the time of registration. To register follow this link:

4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-state-robotics-competition

To view the challenge introduction video, follow this link:

<https://youtu.be/xtLxA-kL49c>

For general questions and more information on the challenge, please visit the IL 4-H Robotics Facebook group: facebook.com/groups/il4hrobotics/. For all other questions or inquiries, please contact illinois4h-stem@illinois.edu.



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TERRARIUM WORKSHOP

Limited to the first 20 youth

**March 18, 2019
10 am to 12 pm
306 S Fair St, Olney, IL**

*Register online at
<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/elrww/>*



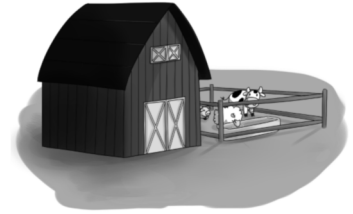
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Richland County Illinois 4-H

Off-Premise Forms

**Attn: All Members enrolled in
Livestock**



If you are housing your livestock off of your own premises, please remember to fill out the Off-Premise form and turn it into the Extension office. This needs to be done if your animal is not at your house, even if it is a relative's home (grandparent, uncle, etc.). If it is reported to the Extension office that your animal is not housed on your property and you do not have an Off-Premise form filed at the Extension office you will NOT be allowed to show your animal. If you need an Off-Premise form contact the Extension office at 395-2191.

Unit 25 Livestock Judging Team meets Wednesday Nights at Richland County Extension Office at 6:00pm. If you would like to join the team please let the Richland County Extension office know!

Animal Livestock Ownership Dates

Ownership dates for animals is as follows:

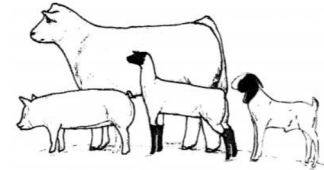
January 1, 2019: Market Steers & Heifers, Dairy cows, Milking goat

April 1, 2019: Market (meat) & Novelty Goats, Swine, Breeding Heifers, Horses

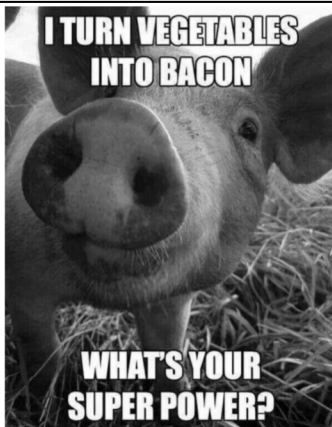
May 1, 2019: Bucket Calf

May 15, 2019: Market lambs, Breeding sheep

June 1, 2019: Dogs, rabbits, poultry, pygmy goats



The above dates are when all 4-H'ers with these projects
must have the animals in their possession.



Photography will be shown at the fair during the HOME EC Show. This year to help alleviate some of the time issues at the General Projects show. If you have any questions please let Jessica know.



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4-H Livestock Show Schedule



July 8-14, 2019

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, July 7	9AM	4-H Horse Show	Olney City Park Fairgrounds
	7:00 PM	Swine Weigh-In	
Monday, July 8	12 Noon	Bucket Calf Interviews	Community Building
	12 Noon	All Livestock exhibits must be in place	Olney City Park Fairgrounds
	AM	Weighing of Animals (except swine)	
Tuesday, July 9	8:00 AM	Swine Show	Olney City Park Fairgrounds
	8:30 AM	Poultry Show	
	9:00 AM	Dairy Show	
	3:00 PM	Goat Show: Milking, Meat, Novelty	
Wednesday, July 10	8:00 AM	Beef Market Show	Olney City Park Fairgrounds
	9:00 AM	Beef Breeding Show	
	10:00 AM	Bucket Calf Show	
	8:00 AM	Rabbit Show	
	1:00 PM	Sheep Show	
Thursday, July 11	8:30 AM	Overall Showmanship Contest	Beef Barn Show Ring
			Olney City Park Fairgrounds
	3:00 PM	Youth Auction	Olney City Park Fairgrounds
Friday, July 12	9:00 AM	Tractor Driving Contest	Olney City Park Fairgrounds
Saturday, July 13	8:00 AM	Clean-Up	Olney City Park Fairgrounds

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4-H General Project Judging Schedule

Richland County



Tuesday, April 23, 2019

5:30 PM	Public Presentations—Extension Office, 306 S Fair Olney, IL
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Friday, June 14, 2019

9:00 AM	Dog Show—Livestock Barns, RC Fairgrounds, Olney City Park
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Friday, June 21, 2019

1:30 PM	Cat Show—Extension Office, 306 S Fair Olney, IL
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Wednesday, July 3, 2019

6:00 PM	Building/Barns Set Up — Olney City Park
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Friday, July 5, 2019— Home EC Show

Time	Project	
4:30 PM	Registration/Sign In Starts — Community Building, Olney City Park	
5:00 PM	Clothing and Textiles Clothing Decisions Interior Design	Health Foods (all) Photography

Monday, July 8, 2019— General Projects Show

Time	Project		
8:30 AM-9:30 AM	Registration/Sign In Starts—All exhibits must be signed in and placed in the Community Building, Olney City Park		
10:00 AM Judging Begins	Aerospace Animal Science Bicycle Outdoor Adventures Citizenship Cloverbud College & Career Readiness Communications Computer Science Consumer Education Crops Electricity	Entomology Floriculture Forestry Geology Geospatial— GPS Horticulture Intercultural Leadership Natural Resources Plant and Soils Robotics Shooting Sports	Small Engines Small Pets Sportfishing Technology Theater Arts Tractor Veterinary Science Video— Film Making Visual Arts Welding Woodworking

Friday, July 12, 2019

11AM-1:00 PM	Pick up exhibits in Community Building. Premiums checks will be mailed out at a later date when all funding is designated.
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