4-H FAMILY MONROE COUNTY

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA) TRAINING

INSTRUCTOR LED TRAININGS:

MARCH 20 6:00-7:00P.M.

MONROE COUNTY ANNEX

MARCH 22*

6:30-7:30P.M. MONROE COUNTY ANNEX

•MARCH 22 WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A LIVESTOCK RECORD BOOK HELP SESSION FOR ANYONE INTERESTED

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THESE SESSIONS, YOU MAY TAKE THE WEB BASED TRAINING FOR MEMBERS ENROLLED IN BEEF, DAIRY, GOAT, SHEEP & SWINE PROJECTS



Please register by MARCH 17 https://yqcaprogram.org

<u>NEW members:</u> Register for a new account under a parent name and fill out all required fields.

Confirm your account through a link sent to your email. Click on the blue "Add Child" button on the YQCA website and enter required fields for each child participating in the YQCA training. Next, click on your user name in the blue box in the upper right hand corner.

> <u>RETURNING members:</u> Sign in with their previous username and password

Choose "Enrolled ILT Trainings" from the dropdown list. Click on the blue "Go to Courses" button. Click on the blue button indicating child's age next to his/her name. Choose appropriate age and either "Instructor Led Training" for \$3 OR "Web Based Training" for \$12. Next, choose participants name, state and training date. Training must be paid for via credit/debit card. If this option is not

Training must be paid for via credit/debit card. If this option is not available for your family, please contact the Extension office asap. Repeat registration process for each family member required to take the training.

This training is required to exhibit and sell beef, dairy, goat, sheep or swine at the Monroe County Fair per USDA requirements.

Please call the Extension office at 618-939-3434 with any guestions.

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Quality Assurance & Ethics Certification (OAEC)

This training is required for all members enrolled in: HORSE, RABBIT, POULTRY, DOG, CAT & SMALL PET projects shown live or via an Animal Science project.



Certifications only need to be completed one time. Those that have completed it in the past do not have to complete it again.

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4-H Sewing Club

MEETING DATES:

MARCH 9, MARCH 30, APRIL 13, APRIL 27, MAY 11, MAY 25,

JUNE 8 3:15-5:15P.M. MONROE COUNTY ANNEX 901 ILLINOIS AVE., WATERLOO

Participants will learn sewing skills including hand and machine techniques and will complete projects to take home.

 Open to ALL youth ages 8-18 (By Sept. 1, 2022)

 \$20 enrollment fee covers supplies and snacks.

 *Limited to 9 members.

 Enroll by March 7: https://4h.zsuite.org

 Choose: Sewing Club

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Youth Cooking School 2023

Youth will learn basic cooking skills, kitchen and food safety, nutrition tips and prepare tasty recipes guaranteed to impress the whole family! Reducing food waste will be our theme in 2023.

STEP 1: Choose your date and location June 5-8 Columbia, IL St. Paul's Lutheran Church June 26-29 Waterloo, IL Immanuel Lutheran Church

STEP 2: Choose your session

Morning: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Afternoon: 12:30-3:30 p.m.

STEP 3: Register at:

https://go.illinois.edu/YCSWaterlooMorning https://go.illinois.edu/YCSWaterlooAfternoon https://go.illinois.edu/YCSColumbiaMorning https://go.illinois.edu/YCSColumbiaAfternoon

Call (618) 939-3434



For more experienced Chefs, register for the: FOOD CHALLENGE

> Ages 11-15 Cost \$75

July 17-20 Waterloo, IL Immanual Lutheran Church



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The Food Challenge is for experienced chefs that have attended youth cooking school in the past. Youth will learn slightly more advanced cooking skills, kitchen and food safety, nutrition tips and will be given challenges to prepare their own tasty recipes!

July 17-20

Immanuel Lutheran Church

522 S. Church St. Waterloo

Morning: 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Afternoon: 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Call (618) 939-3434

Register at:

go.illinois.edu/YFoodChallengeWaterlooMorning go.illinois.edu/YFoodChallengeWaterlooAfternoon



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LIVESTOCK & HORSE RECORD BOOKS

Record Books should be shown and signed by your leader at your May, June, or July club meeting before the fair. (Horses-prior to May 4-H Horse Show.)

*NEW: Members must complete a livestock record book in 2023 to be eligible to sell in 2024, except for new members.

The PDF versions of the books are found here: <u>https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord</u> They may be filled in on your computer, or you may print them off and fill it in by hand (neatly).

The Instruction Guide is found here: <u>https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord_Guide</u> to help you through the process of filling the book out.

Books are due to the Extension office by September 15 for evaluation.

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Do you have questions about filling out your Livestock Record Book?

Join us on March 22 at 7:30p.m. (following the YQCA training) for an overview of filling out your books correctly.

WINTER STEER SHOW AND WEIGH-IN

Great job to everyone on a great Winter Steer Show and Weigh-In on February 18! Congratulations to the following showmanship winners:

Senior: Emma Krebel

Intermediate: Cohen Brandt

Junior 1: Jackson Klinkhardt

Junior 2: Greyson Kruse

The winners will receive a \$25 gift card to Sullivan Supply. The show is sponsored by the 4-H Beef Committee.





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STATE ACCOMPLISHMENTS!

Congratulations to **Madison Schneider** as the recipient of the 2023 Illinois 4-H Natural Resources & Environmental Science Scholarship award! This \$1,000 scholarship will be presented at the State 4-H Celebration of Excellence Awards Banquet on April 1.

Congratulations to **Janella Neary** on being selected as the 2023 Illinois 4-H Emerald Clover Award Winner in the area of Leadership! Janella will receive \$75 gift certificate to select Illinois 4-H merchandise.





MONROE CO. EXTENSION & 4-H EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: April 15, 2023

Applicants must be seniors in high school who have not reached their nineteenth birthday on or before September 1, 2022, and must have been enrolled and active in a 4-H club program for at least four consecutive years. The applicant must be a resident of Monroe County and or reside in the Waterloo, Columbia, Valmeyer, or Red Bud School districts.

4-H members can only receive the Scholarship once. Applicants must be accepted into or be attending a post-high school education program.

The application is available at: <u>https://go.illinois.edu/MoCoFoundationScholarship.</u>

LESTER & LUCILLE KORSMEYER SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: April 15, 2023

Requirements:

- A high school senior who has been actively involved in 4-H for a minimum of four years
 A permanent resident of Madison, St. Clair or Monroe 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.



1st Annual Waterloo FFA Livestock **Judging Contest and Clinic**

March 18th, 2023

Monroe County Fairgrounds 4117 IL156, Waterloo, IL 62298 Clinics will begin at 8 and registration will begin at 9:00

Contest Start at 10:00

Pre Registration is REQUIRED

Registration will close March 13th, changes are able to be made the morning of the contest. Use the form below to submit teams or individuals

https://forms.gle/bvaQoKY41chfhuYEA

Teams will consist of 5 members with top 3 scores counting Coaches may enter as many teams as they wish.

Divisions

-Senior Questions (9th grade and up) -Junior (8th grade and younger) -Cost is \$10/team Clinics

-Junior members will be able to attend a judging clinic hosted by a local judge -Senior members will have a clinic available for learning reasons and note taking, hosted by a current judge.

Classes

-8 placing classes: Sheep, Goats, Swine, and Beef -Classes will be either market or breeding -2 classes with questions for senior members -Performance data and/or EPDs may be used

> Questions? Email Colton Henry chenry@wcusd5.net



BAEBLER EDUCATIONAL FARM GARDEN CLEAN UP DAY!

OUTDOOR COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY!

It's time for the annual clean-up day for the Pollinator Garden at Baebler Educational Farm (4022 JJ Rd) on **Saturday, March 25 from 10:00a.m. to Noon.** This is open to all 4-H Clubs including members, parents, siblings & leaders. Please bring gloves, pruners and rakes.



PASTURE MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. Monroe County Annex 901 Illinois Ave, Waterloo, IL

Has pasture management been a challenge on your farm?

Extension Educators *Travis Meteer* and *Nathan Johanning* will cover a wide range of pasture topics, including establishment and maintenance, weed & fertility management, grazing strategies, and cover crops to enhance grazing. Even small changes in management, species, or grazing habits can make a big difference in the pasture health, and the amount and quality of grazing your animals can experience. This free program is open to anyone with livestock, from a few horses to a large beef herd and anything in between. The Monroe County Cattleman's Association is partnering with University of Illinois Extension for the program and to provide a meal at the start of the program.





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SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY:

>> KIDS CORNER / GAMES & ACTIVITIES Hosted by: *Monroe County 4-H Federation*

>> BALLOON ARTIST • 11am-1pm

>> JUDGING CONTEST BEGINS • 9:00am open to all youth ages 8-19 please sign-up prior to contes

>> WOOL-PULL Pedal Pull

Hosted by: *Monroe County FB Young Leaders* Registration/Kids Corner @ 10am Pull starts @ 11am under the large pavilion {Contestant weight limit~35-120lbs.}

>> SHEARING DEMOS • 9:30 - 1:30 • hourly

>> WORKING SHEEP DOGS • 11am & 1pm Exhibition by *Robin Reasoner* {dogs on grounds approx. 10am to 2pm}

>> LUNCH • 11am - 1:30pm CARRYOUT with Dine-in areas available Sampler plate featuring locally grown Lamb -1 Chop + Brat + Shaved Leg + Burger w/2 sides

ALL DAY DISPLAYS:

Spinning, Knitting & Weaving Demos Sheep Breeds

Antique Tractor Display:

Open to all makes & models
Contact Tricia Lutman at 618-830-2183 or email: info@mcsheepproducers.com

Local Lamb Cuts available to Purcha

• Vacuum sealed for your freezer & available to purchase on the day of the event

Lamb Cuts - Advanced Orders:

• Contact Tricia Lutman at 618-830-2183 or email: info@mcsheepproducers.com

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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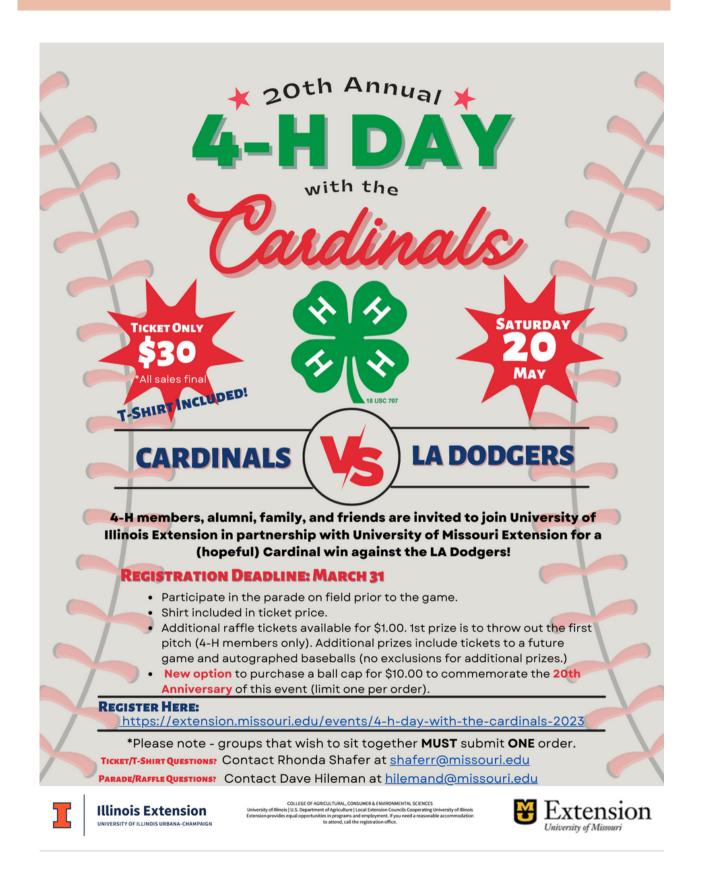
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2023 BREEDING ANIMALS BIRTH & OWNERSHIP DATES FOR ILLINOIS STATE FAIR JUNIOR SHOW

STEERS:

- Calved on or after January 1, 2022
- Owned & personally cared for by exhibitor since February 1, 2023
- Weighed, Tattooed, and EID tagged: February 18, 2023 (Monroe County)

BARROWS: Regular Barrows

• Farrowed on or after January 1, 2023, and must be the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2023. No weighing and tattooing required but must submit ear notches when making an entry for ISF

BARROWS: Premiere Barrows (carcass class)

- Farrowed on or after February 10, 2023, and must have been the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2023
- Weighed and Tattooed with Box A tattoo from February 10 to April 15, 2023
- Tattooed within 35 days of birth and not weigh more than 1.0 lbs/day of age
- Junior exhibitors can purchase pre-nominated barrows

SHEEP Market Wethers & Market Ewe Lambs: Live Show Wethers

No more Regional check-in sites - New nomination format

• Lambed on or after January 1, 2023

- Ownership Date May 15, 2023
- Self-nomination as follows: Nominations must be signed by the local Extension Office.
- Exhibitors fill out and send in a nomination form with a photo of a lamb's ear with a scrapie tag installed in the ear (close-up photo of the ear so scrapie tag can be read). This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2022. Send to Dan Jennings, Region 1 Office, 1100 E., Warrenville Rd., Suite 170, Naperville, IL 60563.

Jr. and Open Premiere Wether & Ewe Lambs

- Weigh-in, tattoo, and nomination procedures:
- Junior and open premiere lambs will be nominated, tattooed, and weighed at the county level.
- Premiere lambs must be weighed and tattooed with the Box A tattoo followed by a number starting with 1 This must be witnessed by a local Extension employee or a person they designate, such as a volunteer or local sheep superintendent.
- The local Extension Office must sign completed nomination forms.
- Send nomination forms to Dan Jennings (address above).
- Ownership and nomination deadline is March 15 to May 15, 2023.
- Lambed on or after January 1, 2023.

Meat Goat Wethers: Live Show Wethers

No more Regional check-in sites - New nomination format

- Wethers Born on or after October 1, 2022
- Ownership dates for Kids & Yearlings not in milk May 15, 2023
- Self-nomination as follows: Nominations must be signed by the local Extension office.
- Exhibitors fill out and send in a nomination form with a photo of goat's ear with a scrapie tag installed in the ear (close-up photo of the ear so scrapie tag can be read). This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2023. Send to Dan Jennings, Region 1 Office, 1100 E. Warrenville Rd., Suite 170, Naperville, IL 60563.

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BEEF – HEIFERS AND COWS

Heifers

- Age requirement is from September 1, 2021, to March 31, 2023 (w/ addition of Senior Yearling class)
- Owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor since June 1, 2023
- Performance Cows
- Cows must be born before September 1, 2021 (Cow-Calf Class only)
- Owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor since January 1, 2023

SWINE - GILTS

- Age requirement is farrowed on or after January 1, 2023
- Owned by exhibitor since June 1, 2023

SHEEP - EWES & RAMS

- Age requirement for yearling ewes is from January 1, 2022, to August 31, 2022
- Age requirement for ewe lambs is after September 1, 2022
- Age requirement for ram lambs is after January 1, 2023
- Owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor since June 25, 2023

DAIRY - COWS AND HEIFERS

- No age requirements
- Calves and Heifers Owned since June 1, 2023
- Cows Owned since January 1, 2023

HORSE & PONY

• On or before June 1 – Copies of the ownership and/or lease papers, State Fair Entries, and one set of photos sent to Stephanie Hardy at Illinois State Fair Entry Department, P.O. Box 19427, Springfield IL, 62794-9427. PH: 217-782-0786

DOGS:

- Dogs must be owned or leased by June 1, 2023
- At this time, no paperwork is required to be on file. Make entries via 4-H Fair Entry Program.

DAIRY GOATS

- Kids and Yearlings not in milk must be owned by the exhibitor only by June 1, 2023.
- Milking Does must be owned by the exhibitor only by January 1, 2023.

MEAT GOATS

• All meat goats (wethers and all breeding animals) will be owned by the exhibitor by May 15, 2023.

RABBITS, PYGMY GOATS & POULTRY

• Animals in these species that are to be exhibited at the ISF Jr. Show must be owned by the exhibitor as indicated: Does -- By June 1 of the year exhibiting; All others -- Out of stock owned by the exhibitor before June 1.

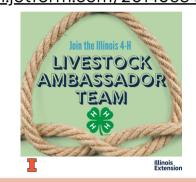


LIVESTOCK AMBASSADOR TEAM

Grab the reins on the Illinois 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team ~ team applications are open!

Do you have a passion for Animal Sciences? The Livestock Ambassador Team might be for you! Become a role model and advocate for the livestock industry. On this team you'll help with ...

Statewide Junior Livestock Conferences, Regional Livestock Clinics, Livestock Skillathons, Assisting with State 4-H Livestock Events, Advocating for the livestock industry, Serving on agricultural youth boards (YEA, Junior Association, State Fair), Involvement State Fair activities (Commodity Carnival, Governor's Auction, Ag Day, Tours, etc.) Applications will close April 1. Apply through this link: <u>https://form.jotform.com/201406843593153</u>



ILLINI SUMMER ACADEMIES

Save the date! Illinois Summer Academies will be back June 25-29 on the UIUC campus!

Participants attend academy sessions led by university professors and enjoy various engaging activities that provide a taste of just how cool college life can be. Imagine working alongside university professors while you're still in HIGH SCHOOL! Imagine spending four days with kids your age from all across Illinois. That's what happens at Illini Summer Academies, so stop imagining it and do it! This program allows teens to explore various degree programs at University of Illinois and learn of potential careers associated with those degrees. Stay tuned for registration in the spring of 2023.



4-H SHOW REQUIREMENTS

As we begin the new 4-H year, please remember that to show projects at the County and State levels at the end of the year; you must meet the following requirements:

- Attend at least <u>four meetings</u> during the 4-H year.
- Give a talk or demonstration.
- Enroll in 4-H by January 1, 2023.
- All livestock project members must show their leader an in-progress Livestock Record Book at their May, June, or July Club meeting before the county fair.

LIVESTOCK AUCTION

To participate in the youth livestock auction, sponsored by the Monroe Co. Extension & 4-H Education Foundation, youth must meet the following requirements:

- Be a 4-H or FFA member age 8-19 on or before Sept. 1 of the previous year.
- Be a Monroe County resident and/or reside within the Waterloo, Columbia, Valmeyer or Red Bud school districts.
- Be a member of the Monroe County 4-H club and/or FFA Chapter in the Waterloo, Columbia, Valmeyer or Red Bud school districts.
- Attend at least <u>4 meetings</u> during the 4-H year
- Give a talk or demonstration.
- Enroll in 4-H by January 1, 2023.
- All livestock project members must show an in-progress Livestock Record Book to their Leader at their May, June or July Club meeting prior to the county fair.
- *NEW: Members must complete a livestock record book in 2023 in order to be eligible to sell in 2024, with the exception of new members.
- *NEW: Exhibitors may sell TWO of any species, beef, sheep, swine, goat, rabbit, poultry or dairy basket.
- *NEW: Dairy cattle and dairy goat exhibitors showing 2 or more dairy animals are eligible to auction a dairy basket of products or certificates with a minimum value of \$50.
- If a 4-H or FFA member receives Grand Champion and/or Reserve Champion in any specie area, they will have the opportunity to sell the Grand or Reserve Champion regardless of the number of other species they plan to sell, as long as all of the additional sale requirements are met.

A FULL LIST OF ADDITIONAL AUCTION & SHOW REQUIREMENTS ARE POSTED IN THE 4-H SHOWBOOK



SUMMER YOUTH CAMP

Summer Youth Camp dates for 2023 at 4-H Memorial Camp are set! Youth aged 8-16 (actual age) can attend camp during the following sessions:

> June 4-8 June 11-15

June 25-29

June 30- July 4 (check out is at 11 a.m. this session) Online registration via the camp website will open for 4-H Club members on January 23rd. Registration will open for non-4-H Club members on February 6th.

The camp fee is \$315 for 4-H Club members and \$355 for non-4-H Club members.

Links for registration and additional details will be available on the 4-H Camp website closer to the time of registration. Please contact Andy Davis at ardavis1@illinois.edu or Monika Hammerschmidt at hammersc@illinois.edu with any questions.

SPRING FAMILY CAMP

Spring Family Camp will be back again May 19-21. Bring the whole family to enjoy camp a weekend of camp fun! Registration will open up in late February. More details, including activities and fees, will be available soon! Please contact Andy Davis at ardavis1@illinois.edu or Monika Hammerschmidt at hammersc@illinois.edu with any questions.

CAMP CORRAL

4-H Memorial Camp will once again be holding the Camp Corral July 16-21, 2023. This six-day youth camp is for youth aged 8-15 with one or more parents or guardians who are military veterans. The Mission of this program is "To transform the lives of children of wounded, ill, and fallen military heroes by providing camp, advocacy, and enrichment programs." To learn more about this program, please visit the Camp Corral website. Registration will open on January 18th via the Camp Corral website. You do not need to be a 4-H Member to attend this program. Please contact Andy Davis at ardavis1@illinois.edu or Monika Hammerschmidt at hammersc@illinois.edu with any questions.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 8 6:45 p.m., 4-H Sheep/Goat Committee Meeting, Fairgrounds-Fine Arts Bldg.
- March 9 3:15-5:15 p.m., Sewing Club begins, Monroe County Annex
- March 20 6:00-7:00 p.m., YQCA Training, Monroe County Annex
- March 22 6:30p.m.-7:30 p.m., YQCA Training, Monroe County Annex
- March 22
 7:30 p.m., Livestock Record Book Workshop
- March 25 10:00 a.m.-Noon, Community Service-Garden Clean-up, Baebler Edu. Farm
- March 25 Regional Horse Bowl & Hippology Contests
- March 29 6:30 p.m., Pasture Management Workshop
- March 30
 6:30 p.m., Public Speaking Contest, Monroe County Annex
- April 1
 8:00 a.m., Air Rifle Club begins, Baebler Educational Farm (back pavilion)
- April 8
 9:00 a.m., Southern IL Sheep Fest Youth Sheep & Goat Judging Contest
- April 11 6:30 p.m., 4-H Leader Meeting, Monroe County Annex
- April 22 1:00-4:00 p.m., Nature Adventures Day, Baebler Educational Farm
- April 28 Monroe County 5th Grade Conservation Day, Waterloo Sportsman's Club
- May 6
 8:00 a.m., Market Lamb & Goat Weigh-in, Monroe Co. Fairgrounds
- May 13 9:00 a.m., 4-H Horse Show, Monroe County Fairgrounds
- May 20 4-H Day with the Cardinals, Busch Stadium, St. Louis, MO
- June 5-8 Youth Cooking School, St. Paul UCC, Columbia
- June 24
 8:30 a.m. Show-A-Rama, Immanuel Lutheran Church Hall, Waterloo
- June 26-30 SAVE THE DATE: NATURE ADVENTURES CAMP (INFO COMING SOON!)
- June 26-29 Youth Cooking School, Immanuel Lutheran Hall, Waterloo
- July 17-20 Youth Cooking School Food Challenge, Immanuel Lutheran Hall, Waterloo
- July 23-30 Monroe County Fair, Monroe County Fair
- August 12 Monroe County Day at State Fair, Illinois State Fairgrounds-Orr Bldg.



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