



### Deadlines:

**March 1** Enrollments  
**March 15** Mercer Scholarships  
**May 1** Project Enrollments  
**May 1** Horse Papers  
**June 1** Fair Entries

### Events:

**Feb 1** - Beef Weigh-in  
**Feb 22** 4-H Academy  
**Feb. 22 & 23** Jr Leadership Conference  
**March 7** - Ag Careers Day  
**March 14** - Soup Cook-off  
**March 28** - Public Speaking  
**April 2** - RI Pork Chop Dinner  
**April 4** - Regional Horse Bowl  
**April 6** - Mercer Dog Obedience  
**April 25** - National Day of Service  
**June 12** - Mercer BBQ

### Winter Weather Policy

We are in the time of potential poor weather conditions. To help everyone, please contact the Extension office if you can't make an event. It helps us decide if an event needs to be rescheduled. As always, all cancellations will be posted on WRMJ and our Facebook pages. When in doubt, call ahead!

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## Leadership Award Winner



Sheridan Hank, member of the Kimel 4-H Club in Mercer County, received the Emmanuel Johnson Award for Leadership. This award is given by the Mercer County 4-H Foundation to recognize outstanding leadership in 4-H. Sheridan was nominated for the award by her club leaders. Sheridan and the Kimel 4-H Club joined with Mercer County FFA to support the Rock Island Farm Bureau Young Leaders' outerwear drive for the QC Street Friends Organization. Congrats, Sheridan!

## Enrollment Notes

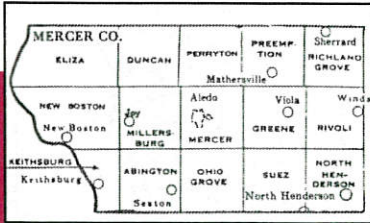
- \*ALL enrollments must be in 4-H Online and the \$20 program fee paid by **March 1** to exhibit at the fair.
- \*Changes may be made to project enrollments until **May 1**.
- \*You must be enrolled in a project to exhibit it at the fair.
- \*Fair entry will open in April and close June 1

## 4-H Academy

The 3rd Annual 4-H Academy registration is now open!  
**Date:** Saturday, February 22  
**Location:** WIUQC Campus, River Drive  
**Time:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Cost:** \$5 for 4-H members, \$10 for non-members

The Academy is open to youth ages 8-18. Individual workshops are limited, so register early at <https://go.illinois.edu/4-HAcademy>.





# NEWS & notes

## Mercer

### Saddle Teens Minutes Submitted by Rylee Ortberg

On September 12<sup>th</sup> 2019, Saddle Teens had their first meeting of the new 4-H year. Mariah Conaway called the meeting. Isabel Egesdal and Mariah Conaway ran for president, Mariah Conaway was the chosen candidate. Reese Tschappat is our new secretary for this year. Alexis Wehrheim is our new treasurer for this year. On September 29<sup>th</sup> 2019, Joyce Smith, Jerica Ortberg, Rylee Ortberg, Samuel Ortberg, Candy Tschappat, and Katie Erickson put together the window display, Samuel Ortberg drew and cut out all the road signs. The name of the window display was Life Is A Highway. On October 4<sup>th</sup> 2019, Joyce Smith, Candy Tschappat, Jerica Ortberg, Rylee Ortberg, Samuel Ortberg, and Mariah Conaway put up the window display. On October 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 the Clover Buds made Halloween decorations for Marigo Village. On November 14<sup>th</sup> 2019, Alexis Wehrheim gave the Outstanding Growth award to Jenna Day, Carter Nelson, and Reese Tschappat. Joyce Smith got an award for being leader for 46 years! Gary Smith got a ten year award for leading. Jenna Day, Alexa Hurr, Kendra Matkovic, Samuel Ortberg, and Rylee Ortberg got 1<sup>st</sup> year awards. Isabel Egesdal and Reese Tschappat got awards for member experience. Saddle Teens received 1<sup>st</sup> place for their window display Life Is A Highway. On December 12<sup>th</sup> 2019, Saddle Teens had their family pot luck, they did a gift exchange, and went caroling at Marigo Village in Viola.



### Soup Cook-Off

Plans are underway for the **March 14** soup cook-off. Each club is asked to make a roaster of their best soup and donate a box of crackers. We are asking each club to bring a crock-pot to serve out of. Drop off soup and crackers at the Aledo Fire Station between 3 & 3:30 p.m. **Soup**

**must be hot and ready to serve.** If you need alternate arrangements, call the Extension office by **March 12**. Soup will be served from 5-7 p.m. It is a free supper, but in-kind donations will go to American Legion for the Veteran's Marker Project. 4-H members are invited to help serve. Interested members should arrive at the fire station by 3:30. This is a great opportunity for county-level participation!

### Kimel 4-H Minutes Submitted by Macy DeBlock

On December 8th the Kimel 4-H meeting was called to order at 5:11 at the College Avenue Presbyterian church. Both pledges were given by Kate Jungmann. Ingrid Hayes gave the secretary report, Aubrey Soloman and Tanner Hessman passed it. There was not a treasure report that night. Claire Fowler gave the federation report and Aubrey and Tanner passed it again. Old business was given by Jack Jungmann, he reminded us that everyone has to be enrolled by December 1st for projects. Jack also spoke about the new business which was the next meeting on January 12th at 5 pm. After the meeting, we wrapped gifts and made cards for our angel tree family and did a candy bar exchange.



### Mercer Horse Exhibitors

The county horse show will be held on **Sunday, July 19** at 4K Arena in Viola. Show starts at 9. This is a change from our usual Saturday shows.



### Dog Obedience

Mercer County dog obedience will hold their first meeting on Monday, April 6 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be at the Mercer County fairgrounds. Anyone interested in participating should attend. Do NOT bring your dog. This meeting is to fill out paperwork and go over training techniques.



New changes to the Mercer swine show this year include:

- Ownership date moved to **May 1** for both barrows & gilts
- Exhibitors limited to 4 single barrows, 4 single gilts, 1 pair of barrows and 1 pair of gilts
- There will be a single purebred class added to both barrows and gilts. All breeds will show together.
- For questions about these changes, please contact swine superintendent Jim Mayhew.





# NEWS & notes

## Rock Island

### Bert Blood

#### Scholarships



The Rock Island County 4-H Foundation and the Rock Island Rotary Club are co-sponsoring college/trade school scholarships for Rock Island 4-H members and recent graduates.

**Eligibility** - Current Rock Island 4-H members are eligible to apply for one of three scholarships awarded in the amounts of \$1,500, \$1,250 and \$1,000. Rock Island 4-H alumni who will be enrolled in college or trade school and have at least a 3.0 grade point average can apply for two \$500 scholarships.

**Due Date** - Applications and reference forms are due to the Rock Island Extension Office, 321 W 2nd Ave Milan, IL 61264, by **Friday, March 20.**

Fillable pdf applications can be found:  
<https://extension.illinois.edu/hmrs/4-h-rock-island-county>

**Note** - The top high school finalists will be asked to prepare a five-minute presentation about their project to be given at the Rotary Club lunch meeting on Tuesday, April 7 at the QC Botanical Center from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For questions, please contact the Rock Island Extension office or Tracy Fowler-Pestle at (309) 871-5032.

#### SAVE THE DATE

#### COMING UP

The Rock Island 4-H Foundation pork chop dinner fundraiser will be held on **Thursday, April 2** from 4-7 p.m. at the Milan American Legion. The Foundation & Extension are asking for donations of pies and desserts from the 4-H clubs. To donate, email Becky Buckrop at [bbuckrop@illinois.edu](mailto:bbuckrop@illinois.edu)

### HCE Geranium Sale

Spring geranium orders will be taken through March 1. The cost to order is \$2.50 per plant. Order forms are available at the Rock Island Extension Office. All checks should be made payable to HCE. Order forms and payment should be submitted to Evelyn Olsen.



### Rural Go Getters Report Submitted by: Hannah Close

We started off with our usual meeting and followed up with two talks done by Rachel and Riley Mackin. Rachel talked about her experience in her summer CNA class, that leads to her career aspiration of physicians assistant. Riley talked about her shell findings from Siesta Key, Florida, which were pretty and interesting to learn about. For Valentine's Day we decorated cookies for senior citizens at Amber Ridge Nursing Home. We adjourned the meeting and enjoyed a snack.

We started our December meeting with a regular meeting and had pizza, cookies and soda for dinner as part of our Christmas celebration. We played bingo and had a gift exchange.



On December 19, the Rock Island 4-H Citizen Scientist club learned about Barred Owls and other birds of prey at the Nahant Marsh Education Center. Then, they watched the Barred Owl nesting boxes they built be installed in the tree tops. The group will be monitoring and documenting anything that happens in the boxes over the next several months. Their findings will be

shared with the Cornell Ornithology lab.







# NEWS & notes

## Mercer & Rock Island



### Mercer County Scholarships

#### 4-H Memorial Scholarship:

This was established with memorial funds from Dylis

McCutchan and Daniel McLaughlin. Dylis was a leader of Hamlet Handy Helpers for over 40 years. Daniel was a Mercer 4-H alum and a long-time member of the Young Riders Club. Both of these individuals knew first-hand the value and impact that 4-H can have on youth. The scholarship funds continue to grow as more people donate in memory of loved ones. The memorial scholarship is open to current Mercer County 4-H members graduating from High School or in their final year of 4-H. It is intended those entering or currently attending a college, university or trade school. For the application and full details visit, [extension.illinois.edu/hmrs/4-h-mercercounty](https://extension.illinois.edu/hmrs/4-h-mercercounty). Deadline to apply is **March 15, 2020**.

#### Patti Jeanne Higgins Scholarship:

This scholarship is for one year, available to high school seniors or persons enrolled in their first year of college, university, technical, or vocational school. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded. Applicant must be a resident of Mercer or Warren County and actively involved in 4-H for a minimum of three years. Preference will be given to applicants who are or were a member of the Alexis All-Star 4-H Club. Applicant is required to verify acceptance to or present enrollment at their school prior to receiving the money.

Applicant shall be required to submit a written application. In addition to eligibility guidelines, the following will be considered in selecting recipients: academic performance and honors, rank in class, ACT score, financial need, character and personality. Consideration shall be given to maturity, industriousness and motivation, intellectual interest, moral character, and demonstrated leadership.

Completed applications are due on or before 4:30 p.m. on

**March 15, 2020.** Applications can be found at:

[Extension.illinois.edu/hmrs/4-h-mercercounty](https://extension.illinois.edu/hmrs/4-h-mercercounty)



### Ag Careers Day

The next Ag Careers Day will be held on Saturday, March 7 at Black Hawk East. This event is open to youth ages 12 to 18. Youth will attend four one-hour sessions throughout the day. Registration will open in February. There will be a YQCA training held at the end of the day. It will be open to all 4-H youth. Look for instructions for how to register in an email.

### Public Speaking

The 2020 public speaking contest is scheduled for Saturday, March 28 at the United Methodist Church in Preemption, IL. 2652 170th Ave. It will begin at 1 p.m.

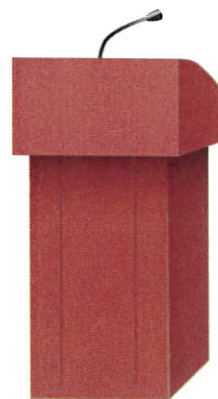
This contest will be for those enrolled in the public speaking project who would like the opportunity to advance to the State competition. It is open to youth in both Mercer and Rock Island.

This year's State competition will be held during the regular general project's day, which is Friday, August 11 for us. The contest will not be held in the Orr Building to help with the noise issue.

Contest categories are:

- \* Formal Speech
- \* Illustrated Speech
- \* Original Works
- \* Oral Interpretation.
- \* 4-H Pledge Speaking (not eligible for state fair)

For full exhibit requirements of the above categories visit: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-state-public-speaking-contest>



## JOANN

The Joann Fabric Clover Campaign is back again this year. Donate to 4-H at your local Joann Fabric store from March 1 to April 30. They usually run special sales during this time, as well.





# NEWS & notes

## Livestock Edition



### \*\*REMINDER ANIMAL ETHICS

#### Ethics Requirements for 2019-2020

Youth enrolled in horses, poultry, rabbits, cats & dogs:

That training is found here:

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

Youth enrolled in beef, sheep, swine, and goats:

**Online** - The training can be completed here:

**Online training here: [yqca.org](http://yqca.org).**

**2. In Person** - We will offer one in-person training per county in the winter/spring. Cost of certification through this method is \$3, but it will only certify you for one year.

**Note:** This requirement only applies to youth planning to show a *live* animal. It does not apply to youth exhibiting a poster related to an animal.

If you have questions, contact Jennifer

### Ownership Dates\*:

**Steers** - February 1, 2020 (Calved on or after January 1, 2019)  
**Barrows** - June 1, 2020 (Farrowed on or after January 1, 2020)  
**Wethers & Market Ewes** - May 15, 2020 (Lambled on or after January 1, 2020)

- Self-nominate between March 15 & May 15.
- The nomination process is the same as last year
- 1. Get forms from Extension Office
- 2. Complete form and include a picture of the lamb's ear with Scrapie tag
- 3. Return the form to the Extension Office.

**Meat Goat Wethers** - May 15, 2020 (Born on or after October 1, 2019)

- Self-nominate between March 15 & May 15.
- The nomination process is the same as last year
- 1. Get forms from Extension Office
- 2. Complete form and include a picture of the ear with Scrapie tag
- 3. Return the form to the Extension Office.

### Premiere Animals\* \*

**Barrows** - Farrowed on or after February 10, 2020

- Owned by June 1, 2020
- Weighed and Tattooed between February 10 & April 15
- Tattooed within 35 days of birth, no more than 1lb/day

**Wether & Ewe Lambs** - Lambled on or after January 1, 2020

- Ownership/Nomination deadline is **March 15 - May 15**
- Weighed and tattooed between March 15 & May 15
- **Addition of Premiere Ewe Lambs is new for 2020**

### Breeding Animals

**Beef Heifers** - June 1, 2020

**Gilts** - June 1, 2020

**Ewes & Rams** - June 25, 2020

**Cows and Heifers** - Cows Jan. 1, 2020/Heifers June 1, 2020

**Dairy Goats** - Milking Does by Jan. 1, 2020/Kids & Yearlings by June 1, 2020

**Meat Goats** - May 15, 2020

**Horse** - Ownership/Lease/Registration papers are due to the County Office by **May 1**. State fair papers are due to **Donna Miller** at the Illinois State Fair Office by **June 1**. Remember that two color photos must accompany the paperwork.

All other livestock State Fair entries are due **July 1**.

**\*County ownership dates can differ from State Fair dates.**

**Check your fair book for county dates.**

**\*\*If you plan to exhibit a Premiere animal, contact Jennifer to set up a tattoo/weigh-in time.**

### Upcoming Horse Dates

**State Horse Judging** - February 29, 11 a.m. at Black Hawk East. Registration cards must be signed by the Extension Office.

**Regional Horse Bowl/Hippology** - April 4 @ Knoxville High School.

\* Individuals and teams must qualify at the regional contest to move on to the State contests.

**State Horse Speaking Contest** - Saturday, April 18 in Champaign. No pre-qualification needed. \$3 to enter and must register with Extension Office.

**State Horse Show** - July 26 through August 2, 2020





# NEWS & notes

## Around the State

### 4-H Sewers Wanted!

4-H Memorial Camp needs LOTS of new curtains. They need 50 youth volunteers to help cut, pin, sew and hang 126 curtains at the camp. They are looking for volunteers who have taken at least 1 year of 4-H sewing to help them on March 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 4-H Memorial Camp.

All materials will be provided, and everyone will be served lunch. Members may bring one parent or guardian to help.

Register to help at [go.illinois.edu/4Hsewing](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hsewing).

It is a great state level community service opportunity!



### Be a true leader in service

Join 4-H members and clubs across Illinois and the nation on Saturday, April 25 as part of the True Leaders in Service. The month of April is always designated as service month and April 25 is the National Day of Service.

Start thinking of possible community service activities now. If you need inspiration, find resources at [go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice). Closer to the date, you will be able to register your project.



### 4-H Memorial Camp

Registration will open for this summer's camp on **February 3**. Cost is \$250 for 4-H members and \$290 for non-members. There are 5 different weeks from which to choose:

- Week 1 - Tuesday, June 2 - Saturday, June 6
- Week 2 - Sunday, June 7 - Thursday, June 11
- Week 3 - Sunday, June 14 - Thursday, June 18
- Week 4 - Sunday, July 5 - Thursday, July 9
- Week 5 - Sunday, July 26 - Thursday, July 30



4-H Fish Camp is back at the 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Fishing begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 2 and lasts until 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 3. During those two days, you'll learn a lot about fishing. A \$50 fee covers the program, lodging, boat, bait and 3 meals. You'll also have fresh fillets to take home!

Participants will stay in the cabins at Memorial Camp and will need to bring their own bedding & toiletries.

The lake is stocked with largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill and channel catfish.

To register, contact the camp at (217) 762-2741 or email Curt Sinclair at [sinclair@illinois.edu](mailto:sinclair@illinois.edu).

### SFI4-H



### Speaking for Illinois 4-H

The next Speaking for Illinois 4-H training will be held on **March 21** in Sterling, IL. The

training will take place in the Whiteside County Extension Office. Cost to attend is \$12.

Once you go through the training, you will be eligible to attend the Legislative Connection events in Springfield.

It is a great state level leadership opportunity!

Registration opens in January at [go.illinois.edu/sfi4H](http://go.illinois.edu/sfi4H).

### SAVE THE DATE

The college exploration event of the year is set for 2020. Illini Summer Academies will be held

June 21-27 on the University of Illinois campus.

Registration opens March 16 and runs through April 17.

Youth requesting financial assistance should apply

January 31 to March 1. Look for new information soon.

### Enroll in Food Science to win cash!

The Chicagoland Food Science Foundation will be awarding \$50 to the top food science project in each county this year. Look for full details this summer, but enroll in the project now so you don't miss out!





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## Greeting!

*The holidays are over and the calendar is filling up quickly!*

*Please make sure to sign up for projects BEFORE May 1st. You can add or change projects by going back to [www.il4honline.com](http://www.il4honline.com). After May 1st you will NOT be able to change, add, or edit projects.*

*In early April, members will be able to register for fair classes by logging onto [fairentree.com](http://fairentree.com). Members will have until June 1st to select their exhibit classes for the 4-H shows at the county fair. After June 2nd, no changes or entries will be allowed.*

*As always, if you have any questions, please let us know!*

*Happy Valentine's Day!*

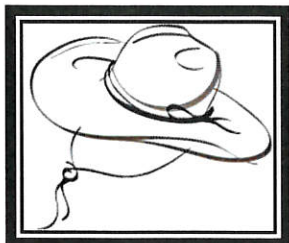
*Warmest regards,  
Tracy & Jennifer*



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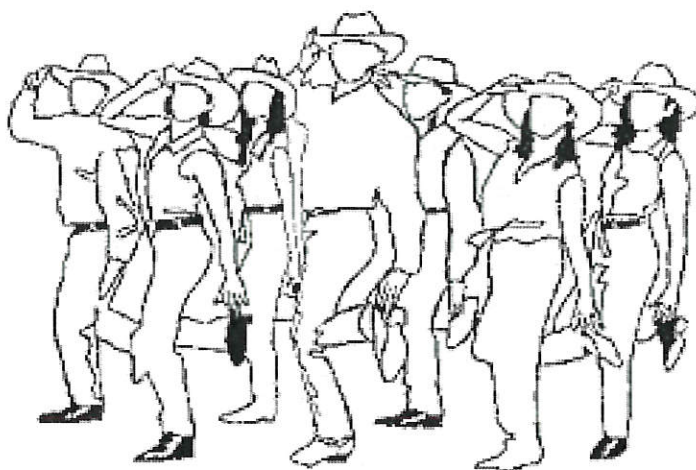
# Huge Silent Auction!

## Come Join Us! Annual 4-H Pulled Pork Dinner and Dance

(Open to the Public)

**Friday, February 21, 2020**

*Sponsored by Rock Island County 4-H Horse Clubs*



**Camden Centre**  
1st Street East  
Milan, IL

Dinner served 5:30 PM - 8 PM  
Dancing 7 PM - 10 PM

- **Adults \$8.00 Children 5 & under \$5**

- **Silent Auction ends at 9 PM**
- **Games and Activities**

This is a fundraiser to help support local horse based 4-H clubs and their activities. Many of the proceeds are used to maintain and improve 4-H Buildings at the Rock Island County Fairgrounds. Proceeds are also given to other charities







## MERCER COUNTY EXTENSION & 4-H FOUNDATION 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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### SUPPORT PROVIDED IN 2019 INCLUDED:

- \$2,600 in operating support for Mercer County Extension & 4-H programs.
- \$2,500 in Scholarships to 4-H members/alumni from the Mercer County 4-H Memorial Scholarship fund.
- \$1,500 for Mercer County 4-H Achievement Awards.
- Continue to build the endowment to sustain 4-H and Extension programs for future generations.
- Assisted with program fees/waivers for 4-H members.
- Printed the 2019 Mercer County 4-H Fair Book.
- \$500 grant to support the 2020 4-H Academy on February 22 at Western Illinois University, Moline, IL.



**Mercer County 4-H Memorial Scholarship 2019 Recipients** (pictured) Gwen Fowler, \$750; Tori Speer, \$1000 & Allison Lloyd, \$500. All are 2019 Graduates of Mercer County High School. In addition, 4-H alumna Vanessa Bucher received \$250. She's a freshman at Iowa State University

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- \$1,000 grant from Exelon for Demonstration Gardens
- 4-H Shooting Sports supplies from the NRA Foundation
- \$2,500 in Bert Blood scholarships to 4-H members and alumni in partnership with the Rock Island Rotary Club
- Assisted with program fees/waivers for 4-H members



**Emma Jean Russell**  
03/25/1930 to  
08/10/2019

#### 2019 Rock Island County Extension & 4-H Education Foundation Endowment Gift

The Rock Island County Extension & 4-H Education Foundation Endowment was established in 2011 by an initial donation of \$25,000 from Emma Jean Russell of Cordova, IL. She was a 20-year 4-H leader and a long-time member and past president of Rock Island County HCE. Upon her passing in 2019, Emma Jean named our Foundation in her estate with a \$10,000 gift. That, coupled with other gifts brought her total support to our Foundation to \$45,000! Emma Jean's benevolence helped to ensure that those Rock Island County 4-H and Extension programs that meant so much to her during her life will continue to have her support far into the future.

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*Recipients of the 2019 Bert Blood 4-H Scholarships were Sarah Saddoris, graduating senior (\$1,500) Maya Chavez \$500 4-H Alumni Scholarship; and Brittany Olson, \$500 4-H Alumni Scholarship.*

*Pictured are Maya Chavez and Sarah Saddoris who presented to the Rock Island Rotary Club April 9, 2019*

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