



4-H FAST FACTS



A Newsletter for **Montgomery County 4-H Families**

May/June 2019



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Chicago Career Exploration Trip

Four teens from Montgomery County took part in the 4-H Chicago Career Exploration program on April 22. The purpose of the program was to explore new career paths through research and a visit to some Chicago tech companies. The group visited 2 tech companies: Relativity and Tech Nexus/Illinois Technology Association. This included a company tour, career advice from current professionals and a career discussion panel. The panel members had some great advice for our young career explorers, “own up to your mistakes and learn from them”, “be open to try new things and explore new career paths”, “be persistent about your goals” were some of the things they said. The purpose of the Career Exploration program with Montgomery County 4-H, is to make youth more aware of career options available to them. “Many people are familiar with what a lawyer and a classroom teacher do, but most of us don’t think of paralegals in corporations or teaching through community outreach at a tech company”, said Elisha Hughes, 4-H Program Coordinator. “Our goal is to prepare our youth for their future careers by educating them about new career paths”.

While in Chicago the group took a trip up to the Sky Deck and Millennium Park to see The Bean. The trip was partially funded by the Illinois 4-H Foundation and Montgomery County 4-H Foundation.

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To keep up with 4-H happenings in Montgomery County, including workshops, check us out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/montgomery4h>



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2019 Public Speaking

Left to right: Amanda Niemann, Clovers 4-H Club; Katlyn Marley, Starr Shooters; Jon Schmidt, Clovers; Fallon Knodle, Starr Shooters; Alden Knodle, Starr Shooters; Bond Knodle, Starr Shooters; Elaan Bader, Independent, and Judge Kathy Brennen, Montgomery County Toastmasters.

2019 Music Competition



Left to right back row:
Abigale Gorsage, Amanda Niemann, Jon Schmidt and Elaan Bader.
Front row left to right: Abilene Norris, Allison Norris, Emmalyn Norris, Joelle Hughes and Garrett Kalaher.

U of I Campus Tour



4-H Volunteer, Heather Hampton+Knodle, organized a ACES Campus visit for County youth. Youth and parents were able to meet with program leaders, get program department and housing tours, as well as talking with financial aid representatives. We hope to offer this again in the near future.

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THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX. BE CREATIVE. THINK
LIKE AN ENGINEER.


DIY CODE & BUILD

Using the Makey Makey system and Scratch programming

TUESDAY, JUNE 11 & WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12
9 AM - 12 PM (NOON)
MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

Register online at web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm
Or call 217-532-3941

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Open to any youth, ages
8-13
Cost: \$10

JOIN US FOR THE

COOKING FROM THE GARDEN SERIES

JUNE 6
JUNE 27
AUGUST 1
9AM - 12PM

COST \$25
YOUTH AGES 8-12

Learn how to Start a Garden, Cook with Fresh Vegetables and Kitchen Safety. Parents are invited to the final class so youth can share what they learned by participating in a Food Challenge.

Register online:
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For questions contact Elisha Hughes at ehugh2@illinois.edu or 217-532-3941

COMPUTER PROGRAMMING

INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON



July 8-11
July 15-18
9:00 a.m. - Noon

For youth in Grades 6-12
Held at the Extension office

Cost \$15



Learn how to program using one of the most popular coding languages available. This class is for beginners and no previous training required. Classes will be taught by former Apple Software engineer, John Wright of Hillsboro.

Registration
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Email questions to: ehugh2@illinois.edu



Paint like Rembrandt

Learn to paint like Rembrandt

ACRYLIC ON CANVAS
4-H PAINTING WORKSHOP

JUNE 4, 10-11:30 A.M.
YOUTH AGES 8-18
COST \$5

Registration
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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 June 1.

For more information, visit: <http://www.states4hexchange.org>, or contact Elisha Hughes @ ehugh2@illinois.edu



Korean Youth

Ga Ram	F	14	1/05	Music, watching movies—loves Harry Potter, singing, Computer Games, Pop music including- BTS. Interested in working in the UN someday. Lived in Japan so she knows some of the language. Plays piano
Tae Ryung	F	15	10/03	I like Dancing, singing and performing. Like make singing videos. Pop music like Ariana Grande, Sia, Taylor Swift and Camila Cabello. like to watch Disney/Dreamworks/Pixar movies like Shrek. I'm interested in climate change and seeing what Americans think of it. I'm even in a club at school to promote change. I like to play soccer, go shopping. I'm very outgoing.
Su Hyeon	F	14	9/04	Movies, shopping, Active outdoors, making videos, Photography, would love to go camping, playing piano & Violin, dancing, video games. Very interested in film industry. Wants to see an American market. Basketball, baseball.
Seung Won	F	14	3/05	Drawing, pets, shopping, music, YouTube, not into sports, games, cooking, American food., . Cannot swim. Loves chocolate.
Chae Won	F	15	7/04	Birthday after Arrival, Photography, drawing, playing piano, listening to music, ballet, badminton, walking YouTube, shopping, fashion, makeup, animals, camping, walking, TV, video games, being active, cannot swim without life jacket.

Korean Chaperone— you do not need a youth in the home

Young Sook Female age 46

Reading, Swimming, talking, Hiking, Outdoors, movies, crafts and cooking. Quiet and serious personality

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Show Dates for the 2019 4-H Program

All registration forms for the 2019 4-H shows are due at the Extension office by **June 7, 2019 for June shows and July 1 for July shows.**

Horse Show **Saturday, June 8, Gillespie Lake Horse Arena**
Check-in 9:30a.m./show begins at 10 a.m.

Visual Arts Show **Saturday, June 15, Montgomery County Extension office**
Check in 8:30 a.m. with the show beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Cat Show **Monday, June 17, Montgomery County Extension office**
Check-in for Cats will begin at 4:15 p.m. with the show beginning at 4:30p.m.

Dog Show **Monday, June 17, Butler 4-H Park**
Check-in for Dogs will begin at 5:45 p.m. with the show beginning at 6p.m.

Poultry Show **Tuesday, June 18, Butler 4-H Park**
Check-in will begin at 8a.m. The Poultry Show will begin at approximately 8:30 a.m.

Rabbit Show **Tuesday, June 18, Butler 4-H Park**
Check-in will begin at 10a.m. The Rabbit Show will begin at approximately 10:30 a.m.

Dairy & Beef Shows **Tuesday, June 18, Butler 4-H Park**
All animals must be checked in by 10a.m. Dairy Show begins are 12:15 and the 4-H Beef Show will begin at approx. 1p.m.

Sheep Show **Wednesday, June 19, Butler 4-H Park**
All Sheep must be checked in by 8:30 a.m. The show starts at 9a.m. with the County fair

Goat Show **Wednesday, June 19, Butler 4-H Park**
All Goats must be checked in by 8:30 a.m. The show starts at Noon with the County fair

Swine Show **Friday, June 21, Butler 4-H Park**
All Swine must be checked in by 8 a.m. The show starts at 8:30 a.m. with the County fair

Food & Clothing Shows **Tuesday, July 9, Montgomery County Extension office**
Clothing Show 9:30 a.m. / Check-in starts at 9:00 a.m.
Food Show 5:30 p.m. / Check-in starts at 5:00p.m.

General Show **Thursday, July 18, Butler 4-H Park,**
Check-in starts at 5:00pm followed by judging which starts promptly at 5:30pm.

General Show Projects: Cloverbuds, Animal Science (Small Pets, Veterinary Science, Animal Posters), Civic Engagement, Service Learning, Passport to the World, Natural Resources, Wildlife, Outdoor Adventures, Sportsfishing, Entomology, Forestry, Geology, Health, Interior Design, Consumer Education, Entrepreneurship, Aerospace, Electricity, Small Engines, Tractor Display, Welding, Woodworking, Journalism, Leadership, Photography, Bicycle, Theater Arts and Communication, Filmmaking/Video, Geospatial, Robotics, Computer Science, Crops, Floriculture, Horticulture, and all other projects.

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4-H Fair Information

2 Major changes this year:

- **Visual Arts- NEW this YEAR- Visual arts will be a separate show held on June 15 (1 MONTH away!) at the Extension office.** Tired of waiting in the heat for Visual arts to be judged? Well this year Visual arts will be judged on a different day and INDOORS>
- **General Show** is in the evening this year on July 18.

Don't Forget QAEC- If you are showing an animal project (including poster) you will need to complete the QAEC. This only needs to be done once in your 4-H career. If you would like to check whether you have completed it for a species- take a look at the list of those who have completed the training. Training must be completed by June 1. <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/montgomery4h/2852.html> the link to the training is on this page too.

4-H Fair Registration- This year we are trying to get the most accurate numbers for exhibits before the shows. So to help with that we are offering 2 different registration deadlines.

- Cat, Dog, Rabbit, Poultry, Beef, Goat, Sheep, Swine and Visual Arts. **Deadline to Register June 7**
- General show, Clothing and Food Show. **Deadline to Register July 1**
- **Register here: fairentury.com.** Use you 4-H online credentials to log in.

Showbook is online- take look: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/montgomery4h/2852.html> paper copies available at the office.

Illinois State Fair Junior Livestock Show Registrations are due to the Extension office on June 25.



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Tell your story. Win \$50

Everyone has a 4-H story. Now, you can win \$50 for telling yours! Winners statewide will be selected and their 4-H story used in 2020. Here is everything you need to know.

- Your video should be no longer than 90 seconds.
- Your video should relate to one of these topics:
 - ⇒ Through 4-H, I've been able to ...
 - ⇒ In my 4-H XXXXX project, I've learned
 - ⇒ 4-H has taught me to care about my community. I've ...
 - ⇒ 4-H has helped me feel welcomed by
 - ⇒ I've strengthened my leadership skills through 4-H by ...
 - ⇒ In the future I want to XXXXX and here's how 4-H has helped ...
- Every video should end with "Because of 4-H, I Thanks for helping me grow!"
- There are divisions for 4-H Members, 4-H Volunteers, and 4-H Alumni!!!!!!
- Send the video file to us at illinois4H@illinois.edu or post it to YouTube and share the link in an email to us. Be sure to save the original file in case we need it later.
- Include your first name, your county, and your 4-H club name.
- A parent or friend can record you—you're not being evaluated on the video but on your 4-H story. Of course, the more creative the video content, the better your chance of winning.
- It's okay to tell your story over time. For example, you may want to be show a lamb when it's born, as you work on it, then in the show ring and put all those clips together into your entry.
- Videos will be accepted from May 1 to August 1. Winners will be announced and shown at the Illinois State Fair.
- Finalists may be asked to improve or edit their video to comply with Extension 4-H guidelines before their prize is awarded.
- Questions? Email Judy at illinois4H@illinois.edu.



We're Looking for New Members!

You see them at state 4-H events in their bright green shirts. Now YOU can become an Illinois State 4-H Youth Leadership Team member.



- **Eligibility:** Age 16 to 19 by September 1, 2019.
- **Length of service:** Two years, so new Team members selected this summer will serve from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021.
- **Apply online:** go.illinois.edu/4HYLT. Look for the application at the bottom of the page under "Resources."
- **Deadline:** June 7 (for interviews during Illini Summer Academies); July 19 (for interviews during State Fair).

The State Youth Leadership Team plans the state Jr. Leadership Conference, plans and teaches the Speaking for Illinois 4-H program, and assists for many other statewide events. Team members may serve on statewide planning committees and advisory groups, including the Illinois 4-H Foundation Board of Directors, Illinois Farm Bureau Youth Education Committee, Illini Summer Academies planning committee, and Teen Leadership Conference planning committee. Members also have the first opportunity to attend National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C. each spring.

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LET US WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE A BETTER WORLD

Grow a
GIVING GARDEN

PLANT PICK UP JUNE 3-7
MUST HAVE A RESERVATION

Extension will provide : Tomato and Green pepper plants early June. 4-H members will pick up their plants early June and plant them in their garden. Members are asked to donate a portion of the harvest to local food pantries. Register here: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/montgomery4h/>

Learn **Community Service Project** **Give**

Give back to your community

1. Pick up your plants at the Extension office

2. Plant them in your garden and watch them grow

Members are asked to donate a portion of the harvest to local food pantries. Let the Extension office know how many pounds were donated.

Plants are ready NOW

Tell the 4-H livestock story

We will be selecting 10 new members of the Illinois 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team. Applications are now available online @ go.illinois.edu/IL4H. Choose **Members>Leadership** and scroll to the bottom of the page. Applicants must be 4-H members or recent 4-H alumni, ages 16-21 as of September 1, 2019. You will serve a 2-year term with the option to apply for a second term.



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.



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Take the whole family



Some things should be enjoyed as a family! We have the perfect spot and time to do it. Come to 4-H Memorial Camp for Family Camp, Sept. 13-15. Enjoy all that the camp has to offer as a family! Experience rock climbing, zip lining, archery, fishing, hayrack rides, campfires, crafts, cardboard boat racing, and many other fun activities. Your family will sleep in a cabin, have meals provided, and enjoy many fun activities! Expect to have fun, eat heartily, and make memories that will last a lifetime! Let us manage the stress of planning a camping adventure while allowing your family and friends the opportunity to enjoy a weekend together at camp! Cost is just \$75 for anyone 8 years old and up; \$35 for 4- to 7-year-olds. Under 4 is free. Family Camp is open to any family. At least one youth attending must be from 8 to 16 years of age. At least one adult must attend the entire weekend event with their youth campers. Download the registration form @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-family-camp>. Call Andy Davis at (217) 762-2741 or email him at ardavis1@illinois.edu with any questions or if you need special accommodation.

So much to see and do!

Win \$1,000!

The **Superior Young Producer Scholarship Program** is offered by the Illinois State Fair to 4-H members in beef, sheep, swine, dairy, and horses as an educational activity at the Illinois State Fair to promote youth development and personal growth. Three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in horses, and three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in dairy. A total of nine \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in a combined contest for beef, sheep, and swine contestants. The SYPA contest is open to 4-H members who are 14 years of age or older doing project work in the species area for which they are entering. 4-H age is determined as of January 1, 2019. Participants do not have to be exhibiting animals at the Illinois State Fair to participate in the SYPA contest. Check out the dates of each contest: Horse: July 24, Beef/Sheep/Swine: August 7, Dairy: August 17. The contest is supported by the Illinois 4-H Foundation and its sponsors.



Putting on the dog!

Youth who qualify at their local 4-H show may be eligible to compete at the State 4-H Dog Show, Saturday, August 24 in Dixon! Check out all the details online @ 4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-state-dog-show.



Check out the masters at this year's state fair

Each county may send one entry into the Illinois State Fair Master Showmanship Contest. The contest begins at 7:30 PM Friday, Aug. 9. Exhibitors must be at least 14 and no older than 18 (as of 9/1/18). You need to supply your own animals for the contest, but may make arrangements to borrow animals from exhibitors at the fair. Top prize is \$500. The contest is sponsored by Illinois Farm Bureau and RFD Radio.



Illinois
4-H FOUNDATION

Foundation Hall of Fame ceremony set

The Illinois 4-H Foundation will honor one volunteer leader from each county at a ceremony during the Illinois State Fair. The celebration begins at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13 as part of Ag Day at the fair right before the Sale of Champions activities begin. Supporters and families of the recipients are welcome to attend.

Understanding 4-H premiums

In the past, the Illinois Department of Ag has provided funds to local Illinois 4-H members in the forms of premiums (cash prizes) for participation in 4-H shows and exhibitions. We currently have no guarantee that those funds will be provided. We treasure each of our 4-H families and know that you make a financial investment in your 4-H project work. We hope you continue to take pride in your 4-H learning and continue to participate fully in the 4-H program. As you are aware, we have no control on the actions of Illinois government.



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mark your calendar!



June 4	Paint like Rembrandt Workshop
June 5	Teen Teacher Training-Cooking from the garden
June 6	Cooking from the Garden
June 7	Teen Teacher Training: Learn Eat Grow
June 8	Illinois 4-H Public Speaking Contest, Decatur
June 11-12	Makey, Makey DIY Code and Build
June 15	FAIR: Visual Arts Show
June 17	FAIR: Cat and Dog Shows
June 18	FAIR: Poultry, Rabbit, Beef and Dairy Shows
June 19	FAIR: Sheep and Goat Shows
June 21	FAIR: Swine Show
June 25	County deadline for Illinois State Fair Junior Livestock Show
June 27	Cooking from the Garden Lesson 2
July 9	FAIR: Food and Clothing Shows
July 18	FAIR: General Show 6PM
July 19	State Fair Project registration deadline
July 20 – 21	4-H Shooting Sports Training @ 4-H Memorial Camp
July 24	Exchange student Orientation and pick up
July 22 – 28	Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show, Springfield
July 24	Superior Young Producer Horse Contest, 6 PM, Springfield
July 28 – Aug. 1	4-H Memorial Camp Week 5
August 12	General Projects at Illinois State Fair, Springfield (Montgomery County)
August 19	Exchange student Drop off