



Deadlines:

Sept 1 Secretary & Treasurer Books

Oct. 1 County Award Apps

Oct. 15 State Award Apps

Dec. 1 Reenrollments

Events:

August 11 State Fair Day

August 24 State Dog Show

Sept 1 New 4-H Year



Congratulations

to Desiree Reid of Mercer County on placing 2nd overall in the Horse Superior Young Producer Contest at the State Horse Show in July. She receives a scholarship for winning sponsored by the Illinois 4-H Foundation.

August

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DEADLINE

The end of one 4-H year and the beginning of the next always means a slew of deadlines. Here are a few to remember:

- Secretary and Treasurer books are due to your respective office by **September 1**.
- The State Office is moving up the deadline for State Awards. See page 4 for more information.
- County award applications are due by **October 1**.

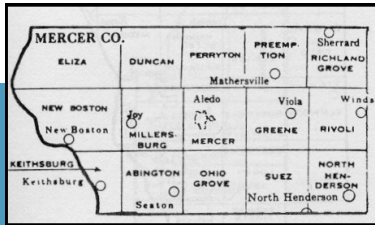


WE'RE MOVING!

Just a head's up. The Mercer County office is moving at the end of the month. We are going from Aledo to Viola.

The official move date is the last week of August. The office will be closed on Tuesday, August 27 for the move. Please be patient while we get settled into our new home.





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Mercer County

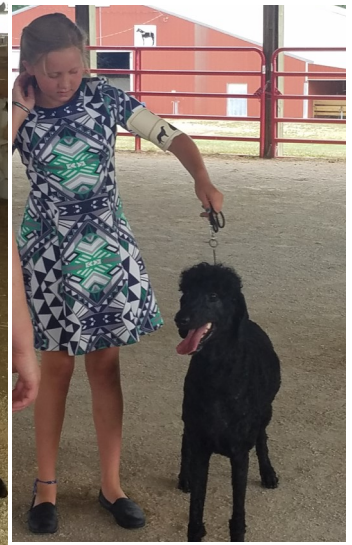
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More Club News

End of Year Awards

Whether you are a first-year 4-H member or a longtime member, it's time to focus on pulling together information for your 4-H award applications. Even younger members can submit the 4-H Experience Application and be eligible for 4-H recognition. Older members can submit both the 4-H Experience Application and the Illinois 4-H Award Application to be eligible for state recognition, scholarships, and/or trips.



The **Illinois 4-H Experience Award Application** focuses on all of those events and activities that you have experienced during the 4-H year in four areas: *Participation, Community Service, Leadership, and Project Learning*. Depending upon the type and number of experiences you can report on, members can receive recognition on the Bronze, Silver, Gold, Diamond or Emerald Clover Award level. Your family calendar, 4-H notes or county summary, checkmarks, and a few written details are all that's needed for even the youngest members to submit this application. This application can be found @

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

All county award applications are due **October 1**.



The deadline for State Award applications is moving up from early January to **October 15**. Be sure to start filling out applications early. This applies to State 4-H awards, Key Award, Legacy of Leadership awards, and the Diamond/Emerald level experience awards. Fillable versions of all the applications can be found at the link above.

New in 2019-2020 4-H Year

Child Development and Sports Nutrition will return as projects with NEW manuals. GIS will no longer be offered.

Celebrating Volunteers @ State Fair

If you are a volunteer leader, be sure to stop by the volunteer booth at the Illinois State Fair General Project Show to receive your special gift.

Good Luck

Good Luck and congratulations to everyone representing Mercer and Rock Island Counties at the State Fair.

Congratulations to all the State Fair delegates on great general projects.

Congratulations also to our Master Showmanship representatives:

Ann Weber - Mercer County

Hunter Johnson - Rock Island County



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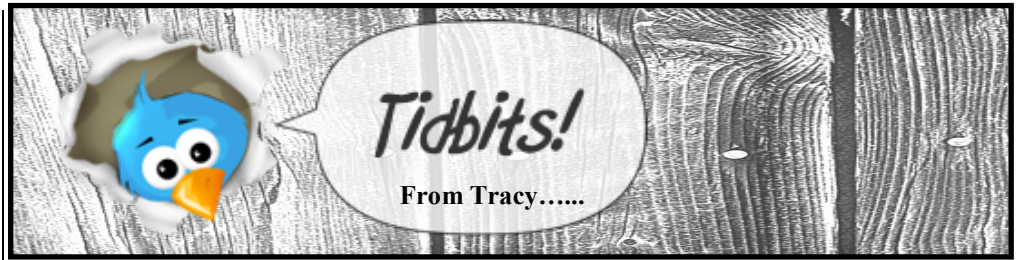
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Happy August!

We survived! Thanks so much to everyone for helping us make it through fair season. The fairs wouldn't be successful without a lot of people volunteering their time.

Special thank you's go out to the superintendents, leaders, and fair board members who go above and beyond every year.

Thanks, also, to the 4-H members for working so hard and bringing creative high-quality exhibits to the fair.

We look forward to seeing you all in the new 4-H year. It is just around the corner!

*Warmest regards,
Tracy & Jennifer*



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