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SEPTEMBER IS THE BEGINNING OF THE NEW 4-H YEAR!

- Enrollment through *4-H Online* will be open starting on September 15.
- Returning members will need to log into *4-H Online* to re-enroll.
- Instructions will be given to you by your leader at your Sept. or Oct. meeting.
- *4-H Online* will have a NEW LOOK this year. Your email login and password will remain the same as the past.
- You will not order project publications in *4-H Online*. After enrolling, you will receive an email confirmation which will allow you to order on a separate site.



NOTE CHANGE:

- Returning and new members *must enroll by **DECEMBER 1*** in order to exhibit at 4-H Shows.

4-H Meeting/Event participation is currently following State Guidelines:

Limit to lesser of 25 guests or 25 percent of overall room capacity.

Please understand that guidelines are subject to change.

Monroe County Office
901 Illinois Ave., PO Box 117
Waterloo, IL 62298
618-939-3434, 618-939-7708 Fax

Office Hours:
Monday- Friday: 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.
Closed Noon to 1:00 p.m. for lunch

Madison-St. Clair County Branch Office
1 Regency Plaza, Suite 200
Collinsville, IL 62234
618-344-4230, 618-344-5602 Fax

LIVESTOCK & HORSE RECORD BOOKS:

- The PDF version of the books are found here: <https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord>
- They may be filled in on your computer, or you may print it off and fill it in by hand. Please remember to be very neat if writing.
- The Instruction Guide is found here: https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord_Guide to help you through the process of filling the book out.

Record Books are due to the Extension office or leader by September 15, 2020 for judging.

4-H Award Applications

The following updated documents are posted to our website:

- **2020 Award Application:** https://go.illinois.edu/Monroe_AwardApp
- **Award Application Tip Sheet:** https://go.illinois.edu/Monroe_AwardApp_TIPS
- **Award Application Example:** https://go.illinois.edu/Monroe_AwardApp_EXAMPLE
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Award Applications are due to the Extension office or leader by September 15, 2020 for judging.

CLUB Documents due September 15:

Treasurer Books and Secretary Books

Note: Treasurer Books MUST be signed by the treasurer and audited/signed by 3 additional people.

These books must be turned into your leader for their review and signature.

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/Treasurer%20Book.pdf>

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/Secretary%20Book.pdf>

Club Scrapbooks

May include digital photo montages



VIRTUAL STATE FAIR RESULTS



Name	Project	Awards	
Brandt, Garrett	Vegetable Gardening	Award of Excellence	
Branson, Valerie	Foods and Nutrition	Award of Excellence	
Cope, Avery	Foods and Nutrition	Award of Excellence	Inspire
Cox, Carter	Photography	Award of Excellence	Inspire
Gregson, Taryn	Photography	Award of Excellence	Reserve Champion
Guebert, Amelia	Clothing and Textiles	Award of Excellence	
Henry, Thaddeus	Photography	Award of Excellence	
Jones, Ellianah	Floriculture	Award of Excellence	Reserve Champion
Jones, Kate	Intercultural	Award of Excellence	
Krebel, Ally	Floriculture	Award of Excellence	Champion
McDermott, Riley	Vegetable Gardening	Award of Excellence	Inspire
Miller, Erin	Leadership	Award of Excellence	Champion
Nold, Hailey	Photography	Award of Excellence	
Schultheis, Deanna	Visual Arts	Award of Excellence	
Seboldt, Caleb	Crops	Award of Excellence	Champion
Sutter, Chet	Welding	Award of Excellence	Inspire
Toth, Olivia	Foods and Nutrition	Award of Excellence	
Vogt, Emily	Foods and Nutrition	Award of Excellence	
Woodard, Maya	Animal Science	Award of Excellence	Reserve Champion
Woodard, Sydney	Veterinary Science	Award of Excellence	
Yearian, Keegan	Woodworking	Award of Excellence	Inspire

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4-H HALL OF FAME

Service is a hallmark of the Illinois 4-H program. The Illinois 4-H Foundation annually honors longtime volunteers and former staff members for their selfless dedication to 4-H, the University of Illinois Extension youth development program.

In 2020, 86 individuals received the Foundation Hall of Fame Award, presented during a virtual ceremony Aug. 18. The ceremony can be viewed here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PurU8wfJ_00&feature=youtu.be



The recipient selected for Monroe County was **Pamela Jacobs**.

Pam was a 4-H member growing up in Washington County, it was no surprise that that she would spend her adult life dedicated to 4-H and Extension.

Pam began her Extension career in 1977 as a Youth Advisor with the University of Illinois Extension in Monroe County. She spent 15 years in that role, committing countless hours to growing the program within the county as well as devoting time to youth at the Illinois State Fair, state camps and other state events for 4-H youth.

Pam provided direct leadership to the Monroe County 4-H program until becoming the county's Unit Leader in 1992 and later as the County Extension Director for Monroe, Madison & St. Clair counties, until her retirement in 2019. While in these roles, she continued as a mentor for 4-H staff, members and parents who are appreciative of her dedication in building up the 4-H program and other Extension programs throughout her years of service.

Pam joins the Hall of Fame this year with two former Extension staff members: Denise Godfrey and Lynn Weis. With the cancellation of the Illinois State Fair this year, these recipients will be acknowledged at in-person events at later dates.



National 4-H Week is our time to tell the world about 4-H.

This year's theme, **Opportunity4ALL**. We are lifting up youth voices and helping kids get equal access to the resources they need to thrive.

You are encouraged to find ways to celebrate October 4 – 10.

4-H Spirit Day will be held Wednesday, **October 7**.

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Self-guided Butterfly Festival

(Learn about native bees and flowers, too!)

Aug. 15-Sept. 30

participate at your leisure

Earlier participation should ensure more butterfly activity

Baebler Educational Farm
4022 JJ Road, Waterloo

Hours: 8am-7pm

**Activity bags available at
the Baebler Farm kiosk**



For more information, search
"Baebler Educational Farm" on
Facebook (scan the QR code
above to get there instantly),
or call 618-939-3434

Included in Your Activity Bag:

- **Baebler Farm map**
 - Explore hiking trails and points of interest
- Native plant guides
- **Youth Activities**
- Pollinator scavenger hunt
 - Challenge yourself to see what you can find
- Photo contest information
 - Win prizes!



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University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.
If you need reasonable accommodations to participate, contact the Extension Office at 939-3434.

State Awards

Illinois 4-H Experience Award Application

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>. Due to the county Extension office by Oct. 15.

Illinois 4-H Scholarship

The **Illinois 4-H Scholarship** is a merit-based scholarship to award outstanding work in project areas. Five \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in each of the following categories: Animal Science, Civic Engagement/Global Living, Creative Performing Arts & Communication, Food Systems, Healthy Living/ Nutrition, Leadership, Natural Resources & Environmental Science, Personal Growth and STEM/Robotics. The deadline to apply is November 1. Apply online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships .

CLUB RECOGNITION AWARD

Is your 4-H Club doing outstanding work in the areas of Community Service, Leadership or Project Mastery? If so, you should apply for the Illinois 4-H Club Award! Clubs receiving this award will receive a \$75 cash incentive and an award certificate. This is also a great tool to set goals and plan for the upcoming 4-H year. This application can be found @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/awards>.

Due to State 4-H Office by October 1. Please provide an additional copy of application to the county Extension office for their records.



Each 4-H member has a story to tell and are eligible for our 4-H awards program – tell YOUR stories and see where they take you!

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JUNIOR LIVESTOCK EXPO

- Sept 11-13, 2020 (beef / sheep / dairy goats / pygmy goats / rabbits / poultry)
 - Sept 18-20, 2020 (swine / dairy cattle / meat goats)
- Open to ages 8-21. Held at Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, IL.

This is not a 4-H sponsored activity but may be of interest to you enrolled in related 4-H project areas.

For more information: <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Documents/20%20JrLivestock.pdf>



ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JUNIOR HORSE SHOW

- August 29-30, 2020 (English Show Portion)
- September 5-6, 2020 (Western Show Portion)
- Open to ages 8-21. Held at Du Quion State Fairgrounds, Du Quion, IL

This is not a 4-H sponsored activity but may be of interest to you enrolled in related 4-H project areas. For more information: <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Documents/20%20JrHorse.pdf>

CLUB RESOURCES

The Illinois 4-H Website has all of the resources and forms needed to guide 4-H club officers, committees, and members as they plan for the new 4-H program year.

Go to go.illinois.edu/IL4H

Click on the **Clubs** tab.

Scroll to Meeting Resources near the bottom of the page

Find these helpful documents:

Club Meeting Agenda_ this fillable form is a useful fill-in-the-blank form your club officers can use as they plan each section of the meeting. This useful form provides them with the meeting structure they can use to identify who from the club should be in charge of each potential item that may be included in a meeting.

Club Committee Planning Worksheet – the Committee Planning Worksheet is an excellent tool to give to committee members as they plan club events and activities.

Club Yearly Program Plan – this helpful tool guides the club officers and club members as they identify club goals to work toward during the year and brainstorm what programs, events and/or activities to plan for the club to engage members in fun, hands-on learning experiences throughout the program year.

More – Don't forget to download your new secretary book, treasurer book, tips for good club meetings, tips for using the 4-H name, and more other important resources.



4-H New Year Begins	September 1
Self-Guided Butterfly Fest	September 1-30, Baebler Educational Farm
Labor Day Holiday: Extension Office Closed	September 7
4-H Shooting Sports Leader Meeting	September 8, 6:30pm , Monroe County Annex
County Cloverbud Graduation (graduating members of the County Cloverbud group ONLY)	September 11, 6:30pm, Baebler Educational Farm
4-H Leader Meeting	September 15, 7:00pm, Monroe County Annex
National 4-H Week	October 4-10
4-H Spirit Day! (Wear your favorite 4-H gear)	October 7

HARVEST NIGHT UPDATE

Due to many uncertainties & restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic and with respect to the impact on our local economy, 2020 Harvest Night has been cancelled. We appreciate all of your support in the past. Please save the date for November 20, 2021.

To “fill the gap” for cancelled Harvest Night 2020 and help Monroe County Extension and 4-H Education Foundation support Extension programs, you can send a donation in various ways. Proceeds from Harvest Night donations help support 4-H and other Extension programs throughout the year.

2020 Contribution Form – I would like to help ‘Fill the Gap’ for HARVEST NIGHT #13.

This contribution is:

- In memory of/in honor of: _____
- Unrestricted
- Scholarship Fund
- Baebler Educational Farm
- Other: _____

Make check payable & mail to:

Monroe County Extension & 4-H Education Foundation
P.O. Box 246
Waterloo, IL 62298

To make a secure Credit Card donation, please visit: HarvestNight.net

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! Your gift to enhance programming in Monroe County is greatly appreciated!

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