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**4-H Challenge June-July 31**

Congratulations to everyone that submitted projects in our Virtual Show. If you entered a project, then you were entered into the final drawing of the 4-H year. The more projects you entered, the more chances you earned.

Quinn Radloff  
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Daniel Evans x2  
Andrea Erickson x2  
Julie-Anne Erickson

Faith Sigstad  
William Fredin  
Katen Fredin



Watch your mailbox, some goodies are heading your way!

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## August Club Meeting Guidelines

**August 1-15:** 4-H clubs of up to 10 people may meet in person outdoors if everyone practices social distancing.

**August 16-31:** 4-H clubs of up to 10 people may meet in person indoors OR 25 people may meet outdoors if everyone practices social distancing.

If clubs are unable to meet these guidelines, they are encouraged to consider meeting virtually by Zoom meetings. All program participants and staff will be required to practice social distancing measures, including wearing a face covering. Over the course of the fall, Illinois Extension will continue a phased return to in-person programming to ensure that proper safety protocols, space management plans, and public health requirements are fully adopted by the organization.

## TURKEY HILL SHOW STATE FAIR ADVANCERS

### Public Speaking:

Sophia Biehl

Hope Kapelski

Kevin Patrick Kapelski

### Visual Arts Food Decorating:

Julie-Anne Erickson-State Fair Eligible



### Foods & Nutrition:

Brynnley Compton

Julie-Ann Erickson-State Fair Eligible

Anna Harla

### Clothing & Textiles:

Sarah Voss-State Fair Eligible



**GENERAL PROJECT SHOW STATE ADVANCERS**

**Aerospace:** Stephen Schulte & William Fredin(State Eligible), Aaron Epps

**Communications:** Sophia Biehl

**Electricity:** William Fredin

**Floriculture:** Faith Sigstad

**Intercultural:** Elaina Reinhart

**Intercultural Club:** Andrea Erickson, Julie-Anne Erickson, Calli Lowrance & Kathleen Lowrance

**Interior Design:** Julie-Anne Erickson & Morgan Waller (State Eligible)

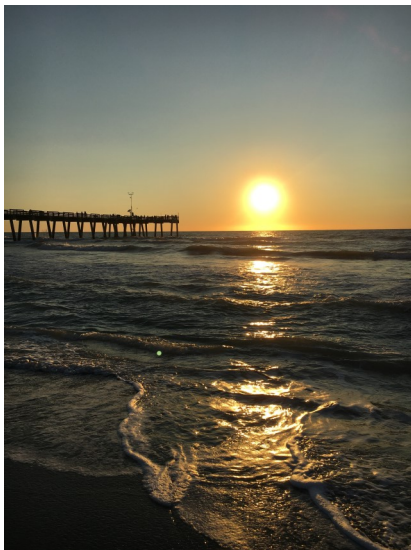
**Natural Resources:** Oliver Reinhart

**Photography:** Anna Harla, Morgan Waller, Nicole Waller (State Eligible)

**Vegetable Gardening:** Daniel Evans, Tim Evans, Katen Fredin

**Visual Arts:** Andrea Erickson, Julie-Ann Erickson (State Eligible), Faith Sigstad (State Eligible) & Nicole Waller

**Woodworking:** Caleb Voss & Sarah Voss



Morgan Waller  
Creative Critters  
Photography 2

Tim Evans  
Farmers & Friends  
Vegetable Plate

Caleb Voss  
New Ideal  
Woodworking 2

**LIVESTOCK AND ANIMAL SHOW AWARD WINNERS****BEEF:**

Hope Kapelski-Champion Overall Top Female  
Kevin Patrick Kapelski-Reserve Top Female  
Ethan VanPutte-Champion Market  
Jeremy Kinzinger-Reserve Market

**DAIRY CATTLE:**

Lorena Kraemer-Champion Market

**POULTRY:**

Kathleen Lowrance-Champion Outstanding Market  
Calli Lowrance-Reserve Outstanding Market  
Kathleen Lowrance-Champion Other Fowl  
Calli Lowrance-Reserve Other Fowl  
Quinn Radloff-Champion Bantam  
Kathleen Lowrance-Reserve Bantam  
Quinn Radloff-Champion Older Poultry  
Nicole Waller-Reserve Older Poultry

**RABBITS:**

Nicholas Seibert-Champion Single Fryer  
Tim Evans-Reserve Single Fryer  
Kathleen Lowrance-Champion 4 Class  
Calli Lowrance-Reserve 4 Class  
Daniel Evans-Champion 6 Class  
Tim Evans-Reserve 6 Class

**SHEEP:**

Ethan VanPutte-Champion Market Lamb  
Ethan VanPutte-Reserve Market Lamb  
Lorena Kraemer-Champion Top Wool Female  
Lorena Kraemer-Champion Female Overall  
Caleb Voss-Reserve Female Overall  
Caleb Voss-Champion Top Hair Female  
Caleb Voss-Reserve Hair Female

**GOATS:**

Brady Benson-Champion Best of Show Pygmy  
Alyssa Benson-Reserve Best of Show Pygmy  
Grace Geraldts-Champion Best of Show Dairy  
Jeremy Kinzinger-Reserve Best of Show Dairy  
Quinn Radloff-Champion Best of Show Meat  
Kade Radloff-Reserve Best of Show Meat  
Lane Radloff-Champion Market  
Kade Radloff-Reserve Market

**SWINE:**

Hope Kapelski-Champion Market  
Kevin Patrick Kapelski-Reserve Market  
Faith Geraldts-Champion Top Registered Female  
Hope Kapelski-Reserve Registered Female  
Kevin Patrick Kapelski-Champion Top Commercial Female  
Faith Geraldts-Reserve Commercial Female  
Faith Geraldts-Champion Female Overall  
Kevin Patrick Kapelski-Reserve Female Overall



## **LIVESTOCK RECORD BOOKS**

If you showed any animal at the Virtual County Show this year (beef, dairy, goats, horses, poultry, rabbits, sheep or swine) you can fill out a Livestock Record and turn it into the Extension office by **September 15** for additional recognition.

[https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/livestock\\_record\\_writable.pdf](https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/livestock_record_writable.pdf)

Take a look at the tip sheet to see how you can get the maximum score here:

[https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/livestock\\_record\\_book\\_instruction\\_guide.pdf](https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/livestock_record_book_instruction_guide.pdf)

You can email them to me at [angielyn@illinois.edu](mailto:angielyn@illinois.edu) if you prefer.

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## **ST. CLAIR COUNTY AWARDS**

If you showed any project at this year's virtual show, you can fill out an county award application in 8 different categories.

[https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/st.\\_clair\\_county\\_4-h\\_award\\_application\\_2020\\_0.pdf](https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/st._clair_county_4-h_award_application_2020_0.pdf)

Take a look at the tip sheet to see how you can get the maximum score here:

[https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/st.\\_clair\\_award\\_app\\_tips\\_1.pdf](https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/st._clair_award_app_tips_1.pdf)

You can email them to me at [angielyn@illinois.edu](mailto:angielyn@illinois.edu) or drop them by the Collinsville Extension office. **The deadline is September 15.**

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## **CLUB SECRETARY AND TREASURER RECORD BOOKS DUE SEPTEMBER 15**

Please make sure that you have all necessary signatures and pages included when you drop them off at the Collinsville Extension office. If you are not sure what is due, please check here:

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

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

## ILLINOIS 4-H STATE AWARD TRAINING WEBINAR



SEPTEMBER 2nd  
7-8 pm

Register at:  
[go.illinois.edu/4hawards](http://go.illinois.edu/4hawards)

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Register and attend this training if you would like to learn how to fill out the State Award Application. This will also count as a state level activity for other awards. This will be a teen led training with Q&A.

## 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.

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/scholarship/illinois-4-h-scholarship>

## 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.

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/scholarships-and-award-applications/Club%20Excel%20Award%20Application%20%282019%29.pdf>

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## JUST THE HELP YOU NEED FOR YOUR 4-H CLUB

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.

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/clubs/meeting-resources>

The following forms are available here including:

- ♦ Club Treasurer Book
- ♦ Club Secretary Book
- ♦ Officer Resources
- ♦ Club Meeting Agenda
- ♦ Club Icebreakers
- ♦ And much more

**KICK  OFF!**  
The new 4-H year!



After a survey of shooting sports discipline instructors; key volunteers; and state shooting sports venues - the decision has been made to move all in-person state shoots to a virtual tournament format for health and safety reasons.

The virtual shoot will run for the months of September – December, 2020. Registration will be free and have both a Junior (11-13 years) and Senior (14-18 years) division! Disciplines offered will be compound archery; recurve archery; shotgun (trap); and air rifle. The rules, registration link, and score submittal link are attached to this email and also posted on the Illinois 4-H website at: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-virtual-shoot-fall-2020>

**Virtual Shoot registration opens Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>**

There are no current plans to conduct an in-person 4-H Shooting Sports adult certification training in the fall of 2020 at this time. This situation is still pending and is dependent on pandemic management guidelines.

## PROGRESS IN A NEW SUSTAINABLE AG PROJECT

In collaboration with the Illinois 4-H Foundation, Illinois Farm Bureau, and the FarmBot company we are beginning to roll out several pilot sites for the Implementation of STEM programming in Ag Education. This educational program is aimed at developing the critical thinking and STEM-related skills of Illinois youth by bringing them into contact with precision agriculture technology and promoting design-thinking approaches to agriculture's greatest challenges. See this link for a short interview with Illinois Farm Bureau to learn more about the progress we've made.

<https://vimeo.com/438292870>





Illinois 4-H members and clubs have demonstrated how to **Make the Best Better**, during the COVID-19 crisis by developing plans and taking action by collecting and donating food to stock shelves at local food pantries; reaching out to vulnerable populations who may not have family members close to pick up needed supplies; and by making hundreds of face masks to distribute to medical facilities, local businesses, and in communities.

If you did not register your plan for service outreach, please use this link to share your plan <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/clubs>. Be sure to also follow-up and report what you accomplished through your service project. The accomplishments of both individual members and clubs will be highlighted on the Illinois 4-H Website.

#### ILLINOIS 4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS



# Let's CHAT

We LOVE to TALK to our Volunteer's!



#### 4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS!

Register to participate in the first **4-H Volunteer Café Conversation** on **Thursday, August 20, at 7 PM**. We are so excited to be launching this new Illinois 4-H opportunity creating a platform for 4-H Volunteers from across Illinois to meet virtually and discuss topics of interest, share both ideas and challenges. Volunteers will gain access to tools & techniques to support their volunteer efforts, strengthening 4-H club and member learning experiences. We will address two topics during each Café Conversation so come with your ideas, questions, and since this is a Café Conversation, feel free to bring a snack as well! This is what we have planned for our first Illinois 4-H Volunteer Café Conversation.

Here are the Specials of the Day:

- Welcome to our Volunteer Cafe - A Few Appetizers to Get Us Started (10 minutes)
- Special of the Day #1 - Successful Member Recruitment Strategies (15 minutes)
- Special of the Day #2 - Club Programming to Energize Meetings (15 minutes)

Wrap Up - Tips & Tools for your Pantry; AND What's on the Menu for Next Time! (10-15 minutes)

Use this registration link to indicate your intent to participate in this new opportunity. Everyone who signs up will receive an email prior to the event with the Zoom Call registration link and additional instructions We look forward to chatting with you soon!

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=22481>

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### STATE 4-H GENERAL PROJECT SHOW

We are excited to start the online judging of this year's state fair delegates. Results for state judging will be sent to counties to share with families. Week 1 judging results will be sent to counties approximately Aug. 17, Week 2 results on Aug 24, and Week 3 results on Aug. 31. Unfortunately, families will not be able to view judge's comments until all three weeks of state judging are complete.

### 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 DuQuion State Fairgrounds, DuQuion, 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>

# 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!

