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4-H Family News



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**Join us for the 19th Annual
4-H Day with the Cardinals!**

Cardinals vs. NY Mets
Saturday, May 9, 2020, 1:15pm

**Tickets must be purchased
through 4-H Online by
March 23, 2020.**

<https://extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-4-h/4-h-opportunities/4-h-prog/4-h-days/4-h-day-with-the-cardinals>

Follow the non-4-H member instructions for ordering
your \$28 tickets since we are not Missouri 4-H
members.

4-H Spring Leader Meeting



Please plan on joining us on **April 4th** from 9am
until 11am at the Collinsville office so we can
discuss the Show Books and Fair Entry.

Breakfast and beverages will be provided.

Please RSVP by Wednesday April 1st at
618-344-4230 or angielyn@illinois.edu.

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Monday- Friday:
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Junior Leadership Conference

Kevin Patrick Kapelski attended the Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference on Feb. 22-23 in Effingham.

Kevin said that he made a lot of new friends and they had a great time hanging out and going to workshops. "I was able to learn how to become a better communicator by being a better listener."

The conference is organized by the Illinois State Youth Leadership Team for 7th and 8th grade students. It gives participants an opportunity to explore new 4-H project areas, learn activities and games they can take home to their own 4-H clubs, learn and practice new leadership skills, and meet kids their age from across the state.



Between March 1 and April 30, you can donate to 4-H at your local JOANN store.

Purchase either a \$1 or \$4 Clover for Kids at the register.

Governor French Teen Teachers



I'd like to welcome our newest group of Teen Teachers from the Governor French Academy in Belleville.

They spent several hours preparing to teach with Katrina Galati, and selecting the topics that interest them, including public speaking, visual arts, gardening, theater, cooking, and entrepreneurship.

Interested in being a Teen Teacher? Contact Katrina Galati at kgalati@illinois.edu



Organization	Information	Amount	Deadline	Website
Garden Club of Illinois	One-year scholarships are available to juniors, seniors and graduate students pursuing a Master's Degree related to gardening, landscape design, environmental issues, floral design or horticulture.	\$4,500	Mar. 15, 2020	www.gardenclubsofillinois.org
Lucille and Lester Kormsmeier 4-H Scholarship	A scholarship for four consecutive years is available to a high school senior who's been actively involved in 4-H for at least four years. Applicant must be from Madison, St. Clair or Monroe County and must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.	\$1,000	April 17, 2020	https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/fillable_lucille_lester_kormsmeier_scholarship_2020.pdf



Don't forget to register for YQCA training if you are enrolled in Dairy Cattle, Beef Cattle, Swine, Sheep, and/or Goats.

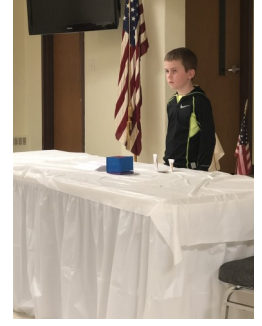
<https://yqca/learnqrow.io/Account/Login>

In-person training is available on the following dates:

- March 19, 7pm, Madison County Fairgrounds Expo Building
 - March 31, 7pm, Monroe County Annex
 - April 25, 1pm, Scheve Park Ag Building

You can also take the training online for \$12.

[All other animal projects take the QAEC @ http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/](http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/)



Megan Thompson (above left) gave a cooking demonstration on how to make ready to eat cookie dough and the New Ideal club members each got to sample it when she was finished.

Ashley Beisiegel (above right) gave a talk on different types of cameras including a small portable camera printer that she can use to print photographs from her phone. She demonstrated her printer for the group.

Christina Lanter New Ideal

Christina gave a St. Clair County 4-H Ambassador presentation to her club about 3 general projects and ideas for showing at the county fair.

Nicole Renner (above left) gave a talk on caring for her bunny and demonstrated how to feed and brush her pet. The New Ideal members then were able to come up and pet the bunny when she was finished speaking.

Luke Fredin (above right) gave a talk on how to make a wooden spinning box. He explained how he assembled it and painted it to give it a finished look.



St. Clair Trivia Night Fundraiser

Thanks to everyone who came out to support this fundraiser!



From the players, to the donors, to the workers, to the St. Clair Foundation, it takes us all coming together to make this event a success.





New Douglas Cloverbuds

Faith Winters (top left) gave a talk about her dog and things he likes to do. Everyone had a great time petting him. **Waylon Gusewelle (bottom left)** gave a talk about his 3 new baby goats, including what they eat and what they do with the milk from their goats.

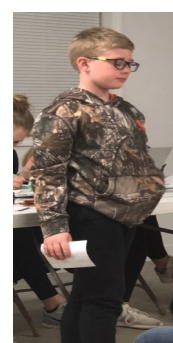
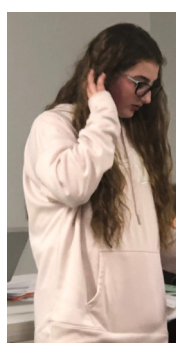
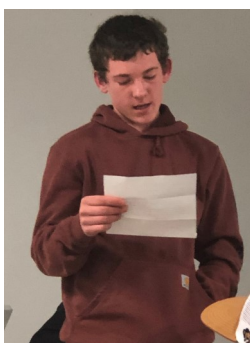
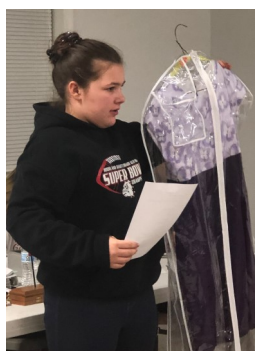
Tenley Henkhaus (top right) gave a talk about how to make string art and she showed us her creation of string art cherries. **Emmett Riperda (bottom right)** gave a demonstration on how to make bracelets using a loom and small colorful rubber bands.

Great job Amanda Simon! You are preparing your Cloverbuds to give amazing talks and demonstrations when they age out and join a community 4-H club.



Trailblazers 4-H Club

Tyler Chandler (left) made a wooden clover block to use during meetings. **Dory Weihe (right)** gave a demonstration on how to make a Leprechaun Blower. Following demonstrations and snacks, they let loose in the gym and played a game of Trees in the Woods.



Good Producers 4-H Club

Dennis Rottmann (1st from left) talked about his behind the scenes tour of Heinz Stadium. **Ruby Boeser (2nd from left)** talked about caring for her heifer Daisy. **Andrew Rogier (middle)** talked about planting and caring for bi-color sweet corn and also how he sells his corn to restaurants. **August Rottmann (2nd from right)** showed a beautiful dress that she sewed. **Wade Boeser (far right)** spoke about how he fixed the garden tractor at the fairgrounds including replacing the air filter and spark plugs.

Making Meetings More Fun

At the January Leader's Training, we discussed some ideas on ways to make 4-H meetings more fun including tossing a beach ball around with questions on it, giving each member 2 pennies so that they can give their "2 cents worth" at some point during the meeting and forming a fun committee. Some of the clubs have implemented these ideas and they are really having fun!



Grant Prairie and Pin Oak Progressors 4-H Clubs tried the beach ball activity as a fun icebreaker and way for the youth to get to know each other better.



2 Cents Worth

Jan Denby and her 4-H Club Quercus Grove implemented this idea.

At the beginning of each meeting, the members come up and get their 2 pennies. At some point during the meeting, each member must use up their 2 pennies by talking about something during the meeting. It can be making a vote or a motion, it can be asking a question about a talk or demonstration, just something to get each member involved!

Roll Call

Pin Oak Progressors and Alhambra Morning Glories tried something fun with their roll call. When they called out the members name, they had to respond by answering a question.

Pin Oak responded with their favorite food and Alhambra Morning Glories responded with something fun they did on Christmas Break.

This is a great way to get everyone to say something during a meeting and for them to get to know each other better!

You be the judge at Illinois 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest**June 15 | 9 AM – 4 PM****Stock Pavilion | University of Illinois, Urbana**

The Illinois 4-H Livestock Judging Contest will be held Monday, June 15 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 each senior competitor is \$10 to cover the cost of lunch. Juniors will be dismissed by lunch to get their own meals.

**4-H Poultry judging returns to state fair****August 17 | 4-6 PM****Jr. Livestock Barns | Illinois State Fair**

The Illinois 4-H State Poultry Judging Contest will be held from 4 to 6 PM August 17 in the junior livestock barns on the State Fairgrounds in Springfield. There is no limit to the number of exhibitors each county may send. Teams of three or four contestants may be submitted. The four top seniors (age 14-18 on January 1, 2020) will compete as the Illinois team at the National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference in November. Registration begins at 3:30.

Check out the state 4-H website for all the details: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events>

**ILLINOIS 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS
CERTIFICATION FIELD DAY
9 am – 7 pm, Saturday, March 28, 2020
Tombstone Gun Range and Training
Center, Marion, IL**

We are growing our shooting sports program by leaps and bounds!

New this year will be .22 Rifle and Air Rifle with the possibility of Archery as well.

If YOU would like to join us for the next Shooting Sports Training, please call the office at **618-344-4230** or email angielyn@illinois.edu.

You can train in Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol, Archery, Hunting & Outdoor Skills or Coordinator.

Our registration deadline is March 18.

"To Make the Best Better"

We're going to the Capitol!

March 4-5 & May 6-7 | Springfield

Illinois 4-H members who have completed *Speaking for Illinois 4-H* training and participated in the annual updates are invited to participate in **Legislative Connection** at the State Capitol in Springfield. There are four days in 2020: **March 4&5 and May 6&7**. All youth who have completed *Speaking for Illinois 4-H* training or complete one of the upcoming training opportunities will receive registration information through an email invitation.



Tell Your 4-H Story

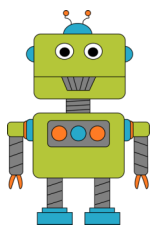
March 21 | 9 AM – 3 PM

Whiteside County Extension Office in Sterling
Shawnee Community College in Ullin

We're looking for 4-H members interested in spreading the great news about 4-H. 4-H members 14 years of age or older can join the ***Speaking for Illinois 4-H*** team. There will be two trainings on **Saturday, March 21**. The Northern training will be held at the Whiteside County Extension Office in Sterling. The Southern training will be held at Shawnee Community College in Ullin.

The training, provided by the Illinois State 4-H Youth Leadership Team, gives you the chance to explore your own 4-H history and why you are involved and put that story into words. Learn the best ways to approach donors, civic groups, elected officials, and others to talk about 4-H. Learn why 4-H believes in Positive Youth Development and how we emphasize the essential elements of Belonging, Independence, Generosity and Mastery. All of this – and more – is part of *Speaking for Illinois 4-H*! Once you're trained, you'll receive an invitation to be a part of our Legislative Connection events at the State Capitol this spring.

Register @: go.illinois.edu/sfi4H before March 13.



State Robotics Challenge

May 9

McLean County Fairgrounds | Bloomington

The state's robotics clubs are encouraged to register for the 2020 Robotics Competition May 9 at the McLean County Fairgrounds. Entry fee is \$20 per team and due at registration.

Register at go.illinois.edu/4HR2020 before March 31.
Download the challenge at go.illinois.edu/2020CHALLENGE.
Watch the video at youtu.be/IEAv1USEGS8.

Illini Summer Academies



June 21 – 26 | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Imagine getting to work alongside university professors while you're still in HIGH SCHOOL! Imagine getting to hang out on a college campus. Imagine spending five days with kids your age from all across Illinois. That's what happens at Illini Summer Academies, so stop imagining it and just do it!

This conference runs June 21-26 on the University of Illinois campus. Explore one of 13 different programs during the week. Illini Summer Academies is supported through the Illinois 4-H Foundation and intended to serve youth living in Illinois.

Learn more @ go.illinois.edu/illini4H. Registration opens March 16 and closes April 17.

Apply for a scholarship @ go.illinois.edu/illini4Hscholarship before April 1. The scholarship covers the \$260 base cost of the conference. Any academy cost is responsibility of the attendee.

Space for each academy is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Many academies reach capacity before the registration closes, so don't wait. Academies and costs include:

AGRICULTURAL LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNICATION: Cost TBD.

ANIMAL SCIENCES: Cost: \$370.

BEEKEEPING: Cost: TBD

CHEMISTRY AROUND US: Cost: \$280.

ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING: Cost: \$485.

GAME DESIGN: STORYTELLING AND FABRICATION: Cost: \$335.

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES: Cost: \$295.

JOURNEY FROM FARM TO TABLE: Cost \$360.

MEAT JUDGING & EVALUATION: Cost: \$310.

SUSTAINABLE SUMMER: Cost: \$310.

MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOLOGY: Cost: \$385. No repeat students from last year.

VETERINARY MEDICINE: Cost: \$375. Open to youth who have completed 10th grade. No repeat students.

WORK HARD, PLAY HARD: Cost: \$280.



Change lives, be a 4-H camp counselor!

It may be cooling off now, but summer will return, and we need you to help mentor the campers at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Applications will be available in January on the state 4-H website. We're looking for certified lifeguards and young adults interested in fishing, shelter building, tree and wildlife identification, and other outdoor adventures. We also need counselors interested in STEM programming.

For information, contact Andy Davis @ ardavis1@illinois.edu or call 217-762-2741.

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JOANN Clovers for Kids Campaign	March 1, 2020-April 30, 2020
Legislative Connection	March 4-5, 2020
Women Changing the Face of Agriculture Conference, Decatur	March 6, 2020
DEADLINE: Garden Club of Illinois Scholarship	March, 15, 2020
YQCA Training, Madison County Fairgrounds Expo Bldg, Highland	March 19, 2020
Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training, Sterling	March 21, 2020
Shooting Sports Training	March 28, 2020
YQCA Training, Monroe County Annex, Waterloo	March 31, 2020
Drop Project Deadline for 4-H Online	April 1, 2020
Central Regional Horse Bowl and Hippology Contest	April 4, 2020
Spring Leader Training	April 4, 2020
DEADLINE: Korsemeier Scholarship	April 15, 2020
State 4-H Horse Speaking & Hippology Contests, Champaign	April 18, 2020
State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest, Champaign	April 19, 2020
National 4-H Day of Service	April 25, 2020
YQCA Training, Scheve Park Ag. Building, Mascoutah	April 25, 2020
DEADLINE: Family Spirit Award Nominations	May 1, 2020
DEADLINE: YQCA & QAEC Trainings	May 1, 2020
Legislative Connection	May 6-7, 2020
4-H Day with the Cardinals	May 9, 2020
State 4-H Robotics Competition, Bloomington	May 9, 2020
Week 1: 4-H Memorial Camp	June 2-6, 2020
Week 2: 4-H Memorial Camp	June 7-11, 2020
State Livestock Judging Contest	June 15, 2020
Week 3: 4-H Memorial Camp	June 15-18, 2020
Illini Summer Academies	June 21-26, 2020
Citizenship Washington Focus	July 4-11, 2020
Week 4: 4-H Memorial Camp	July 5-9, 2020
4-H Show at Turkey Hill Grange	July 18, 2020
Week 5: 4-H Memorial Camp	July 26-30, 2020
4-H Livestock Set-up & Meeting, Scheve Park Ag. Building	July 29, 2020
St. Clair County 4-H Livestock Shows, Scheve Park Ag. Building	July 29-31, 2020
Show-A-Rama, Scheve Park Ag. Building, Mascoutah	July 30, 2020
Illinois State Junior Horse Show, Springfield	July 26-August 2, 2020
St. Clair County Day at State Fair, Springfield	August 16, 2020
State Fair Poultry Judging	August 17, 2020



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SERVE IT SAFELY FOR VOLUNTEERS

Safety Principles for Volunteer Organizers of Food Events

When: Monday, April 27, 2020
9-11 a.m. **OR** 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Where: Monroe County Annex Building
901 Illinois Ave., Waterloo

Cost: \$10.00 (per person)
The seminar includes a take-home manual & thermometer.



Registration: Online at extension.illinois.edu/mms/events
Phone at 618-939-3434
Please register by Wednesday, April 15

Selling and serving food remains a popular fundraising activity for community groups. Any time your group sells food, certain procedures need to be followed to ensure that the food is wholesome, safe, and at low risk for causing food-borne illness. *Serve it Safely* addresses these issues in a fun and interactive workshop!



**Monroe County Health Department Staff
will be present to answer questions.**

TOPICS INCLUDE:

Preparing Food

Storing Food Supplies

Handling Leftovers

Planning for the Event

Serving of Food

Transporting & Storing

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