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ST. CLAIR COUNTY 4-H Family News



4-H SHOW INFORMATION

In order to **exhibit** your 4-H project, you must **register** online at

<https://stclair4-hfair.fairentry.com>

Detailed instructions for on-line project registration can be found on our website at: <http://go.illinois.edu/StClairFairEntry>

→ **ALL** Clothing, Food, Cake Decorating, & Computer Science being exhibited at the 4-H Show at Turkey Hill Grange must be registered by **Friday, June 14**.

→ **ALL** Livestock, and general projects must be registered by **Thursday, June 27** to exhibit at the St. Clair County 4-H Show-a-Rama and 4-H Livestock Shows.

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REMINDER: 4-H members

must adhere to the following rules in order to maintain active status and exhibit at a 4-H Project Show:

- ⇒ Attend at least **four** 4-H meetings prior to a 4-H project show.
- ⇒ Present a talk or demonstration at a club meeting prior to a 4-H project show.

4-H Showbook

The 2019 4-H Showbook with class information is posted at: <https://go.illinois.edu/2019StClairShowbook>

This online method allows members to print the pages that are pertinent to their project(s).

Please be sure to read ALL of the important Show and Fair information.

Families who are unable to access this online can contact their leaders or the Extension office to review a hard-copy of the book.

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

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4-H Shows

4-H Show at Turkey Hill Grange (Foods, Computer Science, and Clothing)

Saturday, July 13; 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

4-H Livestock Area Set-Up & Meeting w/Exhibitors

Wednesday, July 31; 6:00p.m.

Ag Building [Scheve Park], Mascoutah

Show-A-Rama (general projects)

Thursday, August 1

5:00-6:00 p.m. (Project Registration)

6:00-8:30 p.m. (Project Judging)

Ag Building [Scheve Park], Mascoutah

4-H Livestock Shows

Friday, August 2—Sunday, August 4

Ag Building [Scheve Park], Mascoutah

St. Clair County Day at IL State Fair

Saturday, August 10

State Fairgrounds, Springfield



Show-A-Rama

- All youth enrolled in general 4-H projects should plan to show at the 4-H Show-A-Rama on **Thursday, August 1** at the Ag Building in Scheve Park in Mascoutah.
- Clothing, foods and nutrition, cake decorating, and computer science projects will be shown on July 13th at the 4-H Show at Turkey Hill Grange. Livestock will be exhibited at the 4-H Livestock shows at the Ag Building August 2-4. Those enrolled in a livestock projects that cannot show a live animal may exhibit in the “Animal Science” class at the Show-A-Rama.
- Show-A-Rama is also an opportunity for those enrolled in SPIN Clubs (i.e. Robotics & Shooting Sports, etc.) to exhibit a project on what they have learned throughout the year.
- Show-A-Rama Registration will take place the day of the show from 5:00-6:00pm.
- Judging at Show-A-Rama will begin at 6:00pm and go until approximately 8:30pm. If you are unable to attend, your project can be dropped off at the Extension office the week prior to the show.
- No parents or leaders will be allowed in the judging area while judging is going on.
- Ribbons will be placed on the projects on the night of August 1 after all judging is completed and will be able to be viewed the next day when the Ag Building opens.

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Shooting Sports volunteer training on target for July 20-21

Help ensure young people are exposed to everything the outdoors and shooting sports has to offer by becoming a certified 4-H volunteer. Volunteers should apply at their local Extension office. Volunteers must also complete a weekend training **July 20-21** at 4-H Memorial Camp in Monticello. Volunteers must be at least 21 years of age. **Cost is \$95**. The deadline is early July, but counties must complete screenings prior to registering volunteers, so don't delay.



There are six concentrations of study, and volunteers must choose only one discipline to attend per session. Remember, volunteers will work with their local Extension 4-H staff to establish or add to an existing shooting sports program in the county. Learn more about the Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports program at: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/shooting-sports>.

Livestock Exhibitors

Are you enrolled in a livestock project and exhibiting your livestock at the county show?

Please plan on joining the 4-H Livestock Boosters of St. Clair County on **Saturday, June 29**, at **11:00 a.m.**, at the *Ag Building in Mascoutah* for a meeting regarding additional *exhibit* and *auction* information. Representatives from **Rural King** will also be in attendance, so don't miss out!

For more information and to RSVP, please call **Dan Sliment @ 618-789-1932**. Please RSVP by **Wednesday, June 26**.



On Thursday, May 30, Caleb K. of the Turkey Hill Busy Bees 4-H Club had the opportunity to meet Jackie Joyner-Kersey and be filmed for a National 4-H Council's *Day in the Life* advertisement. Caleb spent the day at the JJK Center in East St. Louis, touring the gardens, picking fresh produce, and preparing a nutritious meal with Jackie herself! We can't wait to see the final product! Way to be a shining star and go above and beyond for 4-H!

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Have Livestock Questions?

Contact your Livestock Superintendents!

Species	Name(s)	Phone #s
Beef	Darrell Beutler	618-980-3670
	Dave Dressel, Asst.	618-317-8907
Dairy	Dave Dressel	618-317-8907
	Darrell Beutler, Asst.	618-980-3670
Goats	Chris Radloff	618-409-8363
	Tim Evans, Asst.	618-401-9582
Poultry	Joe Fournie	618-779-9484
	Stephanie Lowrance, Asst.	618-977-1145
Rabbits	Jane Sliment	618-789-1931
	Jennifer Evans, Asst.	618-401-9631
Sheep	Stacy Madson	618-979-8187
	Terry Bohn, Asst.	618-978-9804
Swine	Scott Parker	618-541-2270
	Hannah Parker, Asst.	618-541-0638



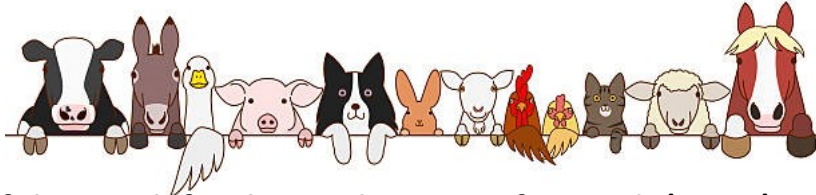
Hot Dog Days coming *back* to Collinsville Rural King

- **Dates are still being determined.**
- The store would like to have 4-H members distribute/assist the customers.
- The profit (from soda & water sales) goes to the group who helps at the event.
- Please let Rachel know at 618-939-3434 if your club may have any interest in participating in this event.
 - ◇ Once clubs are identified, Rachel will call the store manager to let her know who is coming each month. This helps streamline the process, and prevents confusion between the Extension Office, the club, and Rural King staff.

Leaders!

If you haven't done so already, please make sure to turn your club members' liability forms in to the office or your respective folder at the St. Clair County Farm Bureau ASAP. Thank you for your cooperation!

YQCA



Have you heard of the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training?

- If you have, you're probably wondering **1)** what it is and **2)** if it is required to exhibit your livestock or animal science posters at the county shows.
 - **1)** Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 8 to 21 with a focus on three core pillars: food safety, animal well-being, and character development.
 - **2)** For this 4-H year, the YQCA training is **NOT** required for youth to exhibit their livestock or animal science posters at the 2019 St. Clair County 4-H Show-a-Rama or 4-H livestock shows.

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Great Neighbor contest due June 16

Submit a photo with a 200-word description and enter in the Great Neighbor Contest sponsored by Tractor Supply Company. The photo should show how you're making a difference in your community. Winners will be invited to special activities at the TSC's Mobile Fair Tour at the Illinois State Fair.

Winners get a plaque and Tractor Supply gift pack. Deadline is June 16. To enter, eligible 4-H and FFA members should visit TractorSupply.com/FairTour to submit their photo and description, review contest rules and regulations, and view a list of fair stops.

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.



Cream of the Crop photo entries due

[State Treasurer](#) Michael Frerichs invites youth from across the state, ages 8-18, to submit their most innovative, scenic snapshot that depicts their vision of agriculture in our state. The contest winners will be featured on the new marketing materials for the Ag Invest program. Contest closes June 26! Learn more at https://illinoistreasurer.gov/Businesses/Ag_Invest/Cream_of_the_Crop_Photo_Contest.

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. . Check out the link for more information:

<https://4hfoundation.illinois.edu/grants/producer>



4-H STORYTELLERS

Be authentic | Share truth | Build connections

In **July**, 4-H members will be invited to become a 4-H Storyteller. In the fall, 20 youth selected from the applicants will be trained by some of Illinois's finest storytellers. The stories may take the form of written word: blogs, poetry, letters. They may take the form of art: photography, art, comics. They may take the form of sound: video, song, podcast. 4-H Storytellers will tell their personal stories, and in doing so, we will see 4-H in action in their lives. Look for more in the July newsletter. This opportunity is open to youth who will be in grades 8 to 11 this fall.

Applicants will be asked to submit two original examples of any of the following things: blogs, poetry, letters, photography, art, comics, video, song, podcast, or other form not listed. The two examples may be of the same form or different forms. Applicants must also answer the following question using whatever medium they want: **What story do you have to tell and why is that topic important to be shared?** The program is sponsored in full by the Illinois 4-H Foundation.

Which dairy cow do you place first?

Line 'em up and rank them at the 2019 Illinois 4-H State Dairy Cattle Judging Contest. Registration begins at 9 a.m. **Aug. 17** at the Illinois State Fairgrounds, and the contest begins at 10. All contestants must be current 4-H members, but you do not need to be enrolled in a dairy project. There will be six classes of cows and heifers of various breeds. Youth 13 and younger (as of 1/1/19) will be in the junior division. Youth 14 and older will be in the senior division.

All participants will be invited to present oral reasons, but it is not mandatory. Juniors may read or recite from memory. Those seniors wishing to be considered for the state team must give two sets of oral reasons. State team members must be at least 14 but not older than 18 as of Jan. 1, 2019. The national contest will be Sept. 30 in Madison, Wisconsin. The national team is supported with funds from the Illinois 4-H Foundation.



New awards, new scoresheets at Illinois State Fair

4-H members selected at their county to exhibit at the state fair will see some changes in the way exhibits are judged and prizes awarded. Judges at the state fair will use a 10-point scale and give members a score for each element of their exhibit:

Their knowledge about the project, Their conference presentation of the project, The presentation of the exhibit
The new scoresheets are all posted online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hstatefair. For each EXHIBIT CLASS, a **champion and reserve champion** will be awarded based on points received.

In addition, **INSPIRE AWARDS** will be given at the judges' discretion for work they wish to highlight or acknowledge. Awards will vary in quantity, description, and type between project areas. These awards will not be based solely on scores. Check back soon for more on the new judging and award systems.

Poultry Testing CANCELLED

Please see the official notification from the Illinois Department of Agriculture:

"Due to the shortage of antigen necessary to conduct Pullorum-Typhoid testing, the State of Illinois is waiving the pullorum requirements for exhibition. Once antigen becomes available, this waiver will be rescinded and all flocks participating in the National Poultry Improvement Plan will be required to conduct their annual test. Reciprocity with other states is not guaranteed and producers/exhibitors are responsible for contacting those state officials regarding compliance with entry requirements."

End of year award time is approaching

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*. This application can be found @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/awards>.

[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!](#)



Take the Whole Family

Come to 4-H Memorial Camp for Family Camp, Sept. 13-15. For more information, 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.

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Save the date for fall shooting sports contests

Test your skill at the State Shooting Sports contests this fall. Read the age restrictions carefully. You may participate in one, two, three, or all four contests as long as you've received instruction from a certified 4-H instructor in THAT discipline. The top performers this fall may be eligible to compete in the 2020 National 4-H Shooting Sports Contest. Registrations for all State Shoots begins July 15

Age Requirements for the State Shoots:

- Participants must be enrolled members of an active 4-H Shooting Sports Club for the 2019-20 year, so it is important youth re-enroll as soon as the new year begins in September.
- Youth may only compete in the discipline for which they have received instruction from a certified 4-H volunteer instructor. For example, youth who are members of a shotgun club led by a state-certified shotgun instructor cannot register for the pistol contest unless they have also participated in supervised instruction from a state-certified 4-H pistol instructor.
- Minimum Age: Youth must be at least 14 years of age by Jan. 1, 2020 to compete.
- Maximum Age: Youth must be no older than 18 on Sept. 1, 2019 to participate.

To be selected for the national competition team, youth must not turn 19 before Jan. 1, 2020. Thus, youth in their final year of 4-H who turn 19 in September, October, November, or December 2019 may participate in the state contest but cannot be selected for the national contest.

Shoot dates:

Shotgun will be held September 14 at the Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill

Archery will be held September 21 at the Pekin Archers in Pekin.

Rifle & Pistol will be held September Oct. 12 -13 at the Central Illinois Precision Shooting (CIPS), Bloomington

NEW IN 2019-20

Look for these new projects September 2020. Returning are **Child Development** and Sports **Nutrition** projects with NEW manuals to help you learn. GSI will no longer be offered as a project.

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 project, I've learned

4-H has taught me to care about my community.

4-H has helped me feel welcomed by

I've strengthened my leadership skills through 4-H by ...

Here's how 4-H has prepared me for my future career.

TELL
YOUR
STORY  WIN
\$50

Every video should end with "Because of 4-H, I Thanks for helping me grow!"

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. Questions? Email Judy at illinois4H@illinois.edu.



American Red Cross Needs Your Help!

Calling ALL 4-H Clubs and/or High School 4-H Members!

You may have seen the media coverage regarding the low blood supply in the summer months. This shortage is partially due to 20% of blood supplies coming from schools and educational institutions. To help offset the shortage American Red Cross has a program called **Leaders Save Lives** which is a way for high school aged kids to help their community by hosting a summer blood drive. This program can help members build leadership and project management skills, participate in additional community service, and there is also a chance to win a **\$1000 scholarship**.

If there are any high school aged 4-H members or 4-H clubs that would collectively be interested in this opportunity or to find out more information, please contact **Justin Fisher** at (314)202-3119 or justin.fisher@redcross.org.

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Project Registration due for 4-H Food, Clothing, and Computer Show, Fair Entry	June 14, 2019
Illini Summer Academies, Champaign	June 23-29, 2019
Project Registration due for livestock and general projects, Fair Entry	June 27, 2019
Livestock Boosters Information Meeting w/Rural King, Ag Building, Mascoutah	June 29, 2019; 11am
4-H Food, Clothing, & Computer Show, Turkey Hill Grange, Belleville	July 13, 2019; 9am-12pm
Livestock set-up & Meeting w/Exhibitors, Ag Building, Mascoutah	July 31, 2019 ; 6pm
4-H Show-a-Rama, Ag Building, Mascoutah	August 1, 2019; 5-6pm (project registration) 6-8:30pm (project judging)
County 4-H Livestock Shows, Ag Building, Mascoutah	August 2-4, 2019
St. Clair County Day @ State Fair	August 10, 2019



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