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ST. CLAIR COUNTY 4-H Family News



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The St. Clair County Achievement Program was held on Sunday, November 4 at Turkey Hill Grange. Congratulation to all of the 4-H youth on your accomplishments. You should be very proud!



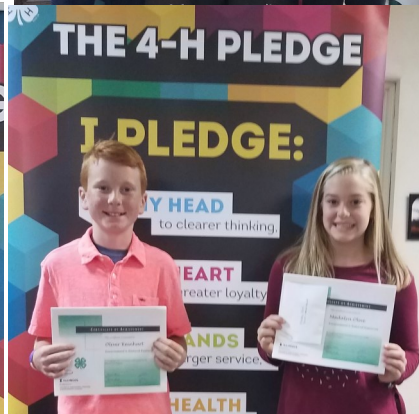
LEFT: Stephen Schulte, Hope Kapelski, and Kevin Patrick Kapelski receiving their awards in Animal Science.



LEFT: Elaina Reinhart, Brooklyn Benson, and Maddy Olive receiving their awards in Community Involvement & Global Awareness.

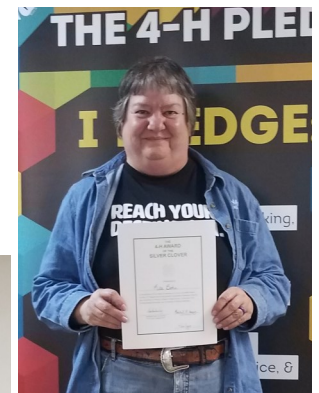


ABOVE: Christina Lanter receiving the William Danforth 'I Dare You' Award



ABOVE: Oliver Reinhart, and Maddy Olive receiving their awards in Environment & Natural Resources.

BELOW: Congrats, Carol Seibert & New Ideal 4-H club on receiving the IFYE Award for participating in club activities on intercultural topics.



ABOVE: Congrats, Rita Bohn, Farmers and Friends leader, on your Silver Clover Award for 5 years of dedicated leadership!



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It's Enrollment Time!

- Have you enrolled yet in 4-H on-line? If not, please visit the website: <https://il.4honline.com>
- In order to show at the county show in August...**ALL** enrollment, including new members and current members MUST be completed by **FEBRUARY 1, 2019**. Additional projects may NOT be added after this date.
- Don't forget! You **MUST attend at least four meetings and do a talk or demonstration** at a club meeting to be eligible to show a project at a county 4-H show next summer.


4-H PROJECT MATERIALS

4-H Project Materials for this 4-H year will continue to be at the expense of the 4-H member. When project materials arrive in the office, an invoice will be prepared for each 4-H member .

Payment can be made at the time of pick up by either the member or the leader or it can be mailed to the office within two weeks. 4-H member is not officially enrolled in the project until payment is received.

Project materials can also be shared amongst members to deter the cost.

Please contact your leader with questions.



If you or your club has something to share from a meeting, an event attended, projects in progress or anything you feel would be of interest to other 4-H youth and families, please contact the Extension Office so that we may post in the monthly 4-H newsletter.

Send pictures with your article. THANK YOU!

4-H clubs, families and friends are encouraged to be involved in these important fundraising events.

Fundraising events are sponsored by St. Clair County Extension and Education Foundation.

EVENT	DATE
Trivia	February 23, 2019
Taste of the Area	April 11, 2019
Dine & Shop-Eckerts	May, 2019
Garden Tour	June 1, 2019

*Individuals are needed to help with Trivia.

To volunteer, please call 939-3434.

THANK YOU!

LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 7:30 PM

AG BUILDING, MASCOUTAH

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- ⇒ **Dog Obedience Volunteer needed. Spread the word to help identify a volunteer to be the Dog Obedience SPIN Club leader.**
 - ⇒ **Horse Show Superintendent needed!**
- Contact Rachel at 939-3434 if you are interested.**



POINSETTIA WONDERLAND OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2018

Millstadt Gardens, 6667 Route 158, Millstadt, IL

Open 9 a.m.— 4 p.m.

Greenhouse Tours 10 a.m.—3 p.m.

Santa

Holiday Cookies

Crafters

Holiday Entertainment



The Farmers and Friends 4-H Club put a display up at the Lebanon Masonic Lodge in honor of National 4-H Week.

The club kept their display up for their pancake breakfast and gained some new members from it.

NICE JOB, Farmer's and Friends!



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CAMP LEAD

February 23 & 24 | Champaign, IL

Join in the fun of summer camp in the middle of winter at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7th and 8th grade. Cost is \$160.

Registration will open in November at go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc.

Apply for national award

Are you a middle or high school student making a difference through volunteering? Apply today for national recognition, monetary awards, and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C.!

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards honors students in grades 5-12 for making meaningful contributions to their communities through volunteer service. The deadline to apply for the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards in November 6.

Learn more and apply online @ spirit.prudential.com/apply/2019.



Many say it's the best trip of their 4-H career. Join us for Citizenship Washington Focus! The national conference is open to 4-H members age 14-18 by May 1, 2019. The trip is June 8-15.

Find out more and register to attend NOW at go.illinois.edu/4HCWF

Scholarships honor 4-H club leader

Two scholarships honor the late Joyce Betz. Joyce was a 4-H club leader in Will County and her children are current 4-H club members.

Two separate opportunities available:

The \$500 TEACH OUTDOORS Scholarship & \$1,000 Joyce Betz Memorial Scholarship

Each scholarship will be awarded to a student who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2019-2020 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student.

Applications are due **January 1** and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>.

2019 Youth Livestock Superhero Conference: It's More than 'Meats' the Eye

Open to 4-H youth in 7th, 8th, & 9th grade



The Conference is a fun-filled overnight weekend event for 4-H members. This program provides leadership and team building activities as well as exciting hands-on opportunities built around the science and disciplines of livestock production and exhibition.

January 26 & 27, 2019

Decatur Hotel & Conference Center, 4191 W US Highway 36, Decatur

REGISTER BY 12/17/18 ONLINE @ go.illinois.edu/4Hlivestock

Is cost a concern? Check to see if your 4-H club will sponsor a portion of your registration fees! It never hurts to ask!

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Grab your gear and head to 4-H Memorial Camp



Be part of the best camping experience in Central Illinois. Choose from one of these summer sessions:

- Tuesday, June 4 – Saturday, June 8
- Sunday, June 9 – Thursday, June 13
- Sunday, June 16 – Thursday, June 20
- Sunday, June 30 – Thursday, July 4

Cost will be \$220 for enrolled 4-H members. This new cost includes a \$15 credit at the Trading Post so you don't need to bring extra cash to camp! Cost to youth not enrolled in 4-H is \$260.

Registration will open February 4! Don't be late. All 1,050 spaces filled up in 45 days last year!

There's a place for you at 4-H House

Young women attending University of Illinois may wish to consider 4-H House Cooperative Sorority as their home away from home in the Fall of 2019. 4-H House is a cooperative, which means they do all of our own cooking and cleaning. Living cooperatively means they can provide an extremely affordable housing option; nearly half the cost of the dorms.



Eligible students must have *three or more years* of experience in a nationally-recognized leadership organization, such as 4-H, FFA, National Honor Society, Student Council, and others.

Interviews will be held on February 23-24 and March 9-10. If you or someone you know would be interested in interviewing or taking a tour, please visit 4hhouse.com or contact Interviewing Chair, Madison Wilson, at 4hhouseinterview@gmail.com.

Help us understand youth!

The Youth Engaged 4 Change website has a fresh, new look with content that continues to inspire and empower young people to improve their lives and the world around them. Check it out @ <https://engage.youth.gov>.



The site will help you:

- **FIND OPPORTUNITIES**, including volunteering, internships, jobs, and leadership opportunities.
- **FIND ANSWERS** and explore resources on topics they care about, like mental health, relationships, education, and more.
- **FIND INSPIRATION** from Change Makers who are volunteering, acting as leaders and role models, advocating, and making an impact in others' lives.

Need some inspiration to visit the site? Youth Engaged 4 Change wants to hear from youth ages 10-24 to learn more about what big decisions they face in their daily lives. As you enter your comments about **"What big decisions are you facing right now?"**, you'll be registered for a contest.

The top three entrants will receive a \$50 Amazon gift card.

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Poinsettia Wonderland Open House, Millstadt Gardens	November 18, 2018
Livestock Committee Meeting, Ag Building, Mascoutah	January 7, 2019; 7:30pm
Illinois 4-H Youth Livestock Conference, Decatur Conference Center	January 26-27, 2019
Enrollment deadline to show at county shows, 4-H Online	February 1, 2019
St. Clair County Trivia Night, Ag Building, Mascoutah	February 23, 2019
Junior Leadership Conference, Champaign	February 23-24, 2019
Taste of the Area, Regency Conference Center, O'Fallon	April 11, 2019
Dine & Shop at Eckerts, Belleville	May, 2019
St. Clair County Garden Tour, O'Fallon	June 1, 2019; 9am-3pm
Citizenship Washington Focus, Washington D.C.	June 8-15, 2019
4-H Food, Clothing, & Computer Show, Turkey Hill Grange, Belleville	July 13, 2019



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