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# ST. CLAIR COUNTY 4-H Family News



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October 7-13 is National 4-H Week and your time to shine!  
Our theme this year is: **Inspire Kids to Do.**

*Here's how you can join in*

## **Tell your 4-H story and win a free t-shirt.**

The Illinois State 4-H Office will choose 50 winners and feature their story and photo throughout the year! It's easy to enter.

- 1) **Tell what 4-H has inspired you to do!** Your story can be as long or short as you want.
- 2) Include a picture ... of you being inspired.
- 3) Email both to Judy at [illinois4H@illinois.edu](mailto:illinois4H@illinois.edu)
- 4) If your family allows, post it to social media with the hashtag #4Hinspiresme. Tag @illinois4H so we'll see it too!
- 5) Grownups can play, too! We'll have a special category for 4-H alums and 4-H leaders.
- 6) The contest ends October 31!

## **Market 4-H throughout the Month!**

- Wear your 4-H shirt to school.
- Write letters to your state Representatives about what you have learned/gained through 4-H. Check the State of IL Government Website for addresses.
- Submit photos and articles to newspapers.
- Take cookies to first responders.
- Have a poster contest with your members, then display them in local business windows.
- Challenge current members to recruit a new member.
- Give presentations at schools, home school organizations, and youth-serving agency boards.

**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 Enrollment 2018/19

- Plan to attend your next 4-H meeting to receive your enrollment packet and pick out your new project(s) for the year.
- In addition to re-enrolling in 4-H Online at <https://il.4honline.com>, emergency medical forms and liability forms will be provided in your enrollment packet. Please fill them out and return to your leader.
- 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.



## ...in with the NEW

New Project: Weather

Changes:

- Cloverbuds can only enroll in the project "Cloverbud" in 4-H Online.
- 4-H Online enrollment in Visual Arts is now divided out into classes. Members must enroll in the particular class (glass, carbon/chalk/pigment, etc.) that they are interested in for the year.
- Wildlife has a new publication.

## 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.**

# 4-H Achievement Program



**Sunday, November 4**

**3~5:00pm**

**Turkey Hill Grange**

Belleville, IL

Clubs are responsible for providing 2 dozen homemade cookies (no nuts please).

**THANK YOU!**



*Thank You*

To St. Clair County Farm Bureau for supporting half (\$10) of the 4-H Program Fee for the 2018-2019 4-H year.

## 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!**

**Please contact Rachel at 939-3434 if you are interested.**

**THANK YOU!**



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

\*Individuals are needed to help with Trivia.

To volunteer, please call 939-3434.

**THANK YOU!**

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

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

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BRING A  
FRIEND!

Please join us for the

# 4-H Fall Kick-off in the Park Event

**Who?:** Youth ages 5-18 and their parents/guardians are invited to join!

**What?:** Enjoy free snacks and games while getting to know 4-Hers in St. Clair County! (Games include, but aren't limited to: kickball, wiffle ball, corn hole, volleyball, ultimate frisbee, etc.)

**Where?:** Freeburg Recreation Park Pavilion #4 (300 E. Hill St, Freeburg, IL 62243)

**When?:** Saturday, October 20, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

**Why?:** Bring a friend and come explore all of the leadership and fun educational opportunities 4-H has to offer!

Hosted by  
St. Clair County 4-H  
Ambassadors

Questions?  
Call, 939-3434

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# Save the Date

Registration for the 2019 Illinois 4-H Youth Livestock Conference will open in late October. Save the date now for **January 26-27**. The conference will be held at the Decatur Hotel and Conference Center.

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!

## 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>.

## Last Chance this Year Speaking for Illinois 4-H

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, October 27, 2018**, 10 AM to 3 PM, at the **Knoxville High School** for your opportunity to prepare to be a part of the Illinois Legislative Connection Program coming up in Spring 2019.

Click the register button at [go.illinois.edu/sfi4H](http://go.illinois.edu/sfi4H). A \$12 fee covers the cost of lunch and supplies.

### Who will win \$5,000?

The Youth in Action Award honors four 4-H members who have gained critical life skills through their 4-H experience and have used those skills to overcome a challenge or challenges they have faced. Nominate outstanding 4-H members in four different categories: Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM.

Learn more at <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/>

Deadline for application is **October 22**.



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<b>National 4-H Week</b>	October 7-13, 2018
<b>4-H Fall Kickoff in the Park Event</b> , Freeburg Park	October 20, 2018
<b>Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training</b> , Knoxville High School	October 27, 2018
<b>St. Clair County Achievement Program</b> , Turkey Hill Grange, Belleville	November 4, 2018
<b>Illinois 4-H Youth Livestock Conference</b> , Decatur Conference Center	January 26-27, 2019
<b>St. Clair County Trivia Night</b> , Ag Building, Mascoutah	February 23, 2019
<b>Taste of the Area</b> , Regency Conference Center, O'Fallon	April 11, 2019
<b>Dine &amp; Shop at Eckerts</b> , Belleville	May, 2019
<b>St. Clair County Garden Tour</b> , O'Fallon	June 1, 2019; 9am-3pm



## OCTOBER 3-14

**Help raise funds for 4-H**  
**Tractor Supply is proud to support 4-H!**

Clubs are invited to get involved by setting up a table to sell Paper Clovers, help bag purchases, display your animals or even demonstrate projects. Call Kevin Sisk at 618-355-9512 for more information.

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