



Deadlines:

- Oct 1 - Sec/Treas. books
- Oct 1 - Award Apps
- Oct 9 - Shooting Sports Training
- Nov 1 - State Award Apps
- Dec 1 - Reenrollments

Events:

- Sept. 7 - 4-H online opens
- Oct. 2 - Henry Archery
- Oct. 6-12 - National 4-H Week
- Oct. 19 - Shooting Sports Training in Monticello
- Dec. 11 - Henry/Stark Expansion & Review meeting



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Congratulations to Sam Nightingale, member of the Western Jr Farmers 4-H Club in Henry County, for exhibiting the Reserve Champion Steer at the Illinois State Fair! Henry and Stark Counties were well represented in all the livestock shows at State Fair. Find more about individual member accomplishments on page 5.

New Year Updates

- 4-H Online will be shut down from Sept. 1-6. It will open for 2019-2020 enrollment on **Sept. 7**
- Remember that you should **NOT** create a new profile in 4-H online when re-enrolling. If you can't get into your old profile, contact the Extension Office.
- Remember to update your t-shirt size on the second screen.
- Double-check your email address because we use those emails for all correspondence.
- Some of you signed old risk forms last year and will need to sign the new 'once in a lifetime' form. Your club leaders will be given a list of everyone who needs the new form.
- Do not add shooting sports projects.



Congratulations again to Karen and Ron Horsley on their induction into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame on August 14.



Thank You!

A big thank you to everyone who purchased a Nebraska Strong t-shirt or gave a cash donation to support 4-H families affected by flooding in Nebraska. We raised \$440 and funds were given to the Nebraska 4-H Foundation's 4-Hers Helping 4-Hers Fund for flood relief.

Club News and Notes



Henry County Archery

Henry County Archery will hold the first sessions of the new 4-H year beginning on October 2.

Note: Sessions will be held on **Wednesdays** this year instead of Mondays.

Dates: Every Wednesday from October 2 through November 6.

Times:

5:30-6:30 - Beginners

6:30-7:30 - Intermediate

7:30-8:30 - Advanced

*Skill levels are suggested, not required. They will take your schedule into account.

Location: Cambridge Youth Center

Cost: \$2.50 per session range fee plus \$20 fee for any youth not yet enrolled for the 2019-2020 4-H year.

Register: web.extension.illinois.edu/hmrs

Become a Shooting Sports Instructor

One day is all you need! Here is how to get trained:

- Contact your local Extension Office for information about the program in your county.
- Complete the required application and background checks. Volunteers must be at least 21 years old.
- Choose a discipline for training. Options are archery, rifle, shotgun, pistol and hunting/outdoor skills.
- Pay the \$60 registration cost for the state training.
- Extension staff will complete your registration, which is due **October 9**.
- Attend the certification training on **Saturday, October 19** at 4-H Memorial Camp in Monticello from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Do not bring firearms or bows. Do bring eye and ear protection.
- Complete additional online training
- Begin volunteering and sharing shooting sports with youth.

Celebrate SUCCESS

Congratulations to everyone who exhibited at State Fair! You all did amazing work and represented our counties well. The top two scorers in each general project category were deemed the Champion and Reserve. The judges also gave out Inspire Awards to those exhibitors who impressed them in some way. Special congratulations goes out to those who received those awards.

Henry County:

- Xander Carlson - Reserve Champion Geology 2 & Inspire
- Elissa Dynes - Reserve Champion Vegetable Plate
- Chloe Finch - STEAM Clothing 1 Inspire Award
- Kholby Grant - Champion Forestry 2
- Emily Hall - Champion Paper Visual Arts
- Claire Hall - Champion Fiber Visual Arts & Inspire
- Daniel Pustejovsky - Reserve Champion Entomology 2
- Miranda Reed - Cooking 301 Inspire Award
- Michael Shields - Reserve Champion Electricity 3
- Kristen VanDeVelde - Champion Photography 3
- Patrick Versluis - Reserve Champion Entomology 1

Stark County:

- Jocelynn Bush - Reserve Champion Health 2
- Sophie Finnegan - Champion Scrapbooking
- Logan Goerks - Reserve Champion Wildlife 2
- Heather Heuermann - Visual Arts Inspire Award
- Owen Mercer - Champion Computer Science
- Riggins Shafer - Champion Floriculture B
- Mackenzie Tilch - Champion Food Decorating
- December Tracy - Champion Geology 1



Club News and Notes



INSPIRED TO LEAD CALLED TO SERVE

Information to make your new year sparkle!

It's the new 4-H year, and we've got lots of things to get the new year started! We've added four new projects: Child Development, Sports Nutrition, Family Heritage, and Visual Arts Leather! Our theme for the year and National 4-H Week is **Inspired to Lead | Called to Serve**. Download the new Project Guide @ go.illinois.edu/4Hprojectguide. 4-H Online new year enrollment begins September 7.

Paper copies of the project guide will be given out to leaders at the leader meetings. Quantities are limited so clubs will be given enough for 1 per family.



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. Each of the honorees epitomize 4-H youth empowerment and leadership. In addition, the winners have demonstrated the positive impact they've made with their family, peers, and community through their 4-H experiences.

Nominate outstanding 4-H members in four different categories: Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM. Each winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship for higher education, be featured as the 4-H youth spokesperson for their pillar area, receive an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to be recognized at National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards, and network with celebrities and prominent 4-H alumni. Learn more at <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/>. Deadline for application is October 21.



The deadline for county and state awards moved. Award applications for county consideration must be turned in to the Extension office by **October 1**. The state award application deadline moved from early January to **November 1**.

County awards include:

- Bronze, Silver & Gold Experience Awards** - Use Experience Award application
- Excel Awards** - Use the IL State 4-H award application
- Electricity Award** - Open to youth who were enrolled in electricity in the 2018-2019 year.
- Outstanding Record Book** - Use sheets given to you in your green 4-H enrollment folder
- Outstanding Treasurer & Secretary** - based off books turned in by club treasurers and secretaries

State awards include:

- IL State 4-H Award** - Open to youth ages 15-18 years old
- Key Award** - Open to youth ages 16-19 years old
- LCP Award** - Open to youth ages 17-19
- Veterinary Science Award** - Open to youth enrolled in the Vet Science project in the 2018-2019 year
- Diamond/Emerald Experience Awards**

All applications can be found here: go.illinois.edu/4Happly

State Scholarship applications are also due **November 1**.

These include the Legacy of Leadership Scholarship and the Livestock Scholarship. For more information about these opportunities go to: go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships

****All applications must be typed.**
Please read all instructions carefully and contact the Extension Office with questions.





NEWS & notes

Around the State

Club Resources

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.

- Go to go.illinois.edu/IL4H
- Click on the **Clubs** tab.
- Scroll to Meeting Resources near the bottom

Club Meeting Agenda – this fillable form is for your club officers to use as they plan each section of the meeting. It provides them with a meeting structure they can use to identify who from the club should be in charge of each portion of the meeting.

Club Committee Planning Worksheet – the Committee Planning Worksheet is an excellent tool to give to committee members as they plan club events and activities.

Club Yearly Program Plan – this helpful tool guides the club officers and club members as they identify club goals and brainstorm what programs, events and/or activities to plan for the club to engage members in fun, hands-on learning experiences throughout the program year.

More – Don't forget to download your new secretary book, treasurer book, tips for good club meetings, tips for using the 4-H name, and more other important resources.

Salute 4-H Volunteers

The Illinois 4-H program is built on the work of amazing volunteers! The National 4-H Council sponsors the Salute to Excellence Award Program that targets 4-H volunteers. Nominate outstanding local volunteers by contacting the Extension office by **October 15**.

The award categories are:

Volunteer of the Year – recognizing individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for less than 10 years at the local, county, region, and state level.

Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer – recognizing individuals who have served 10 or more years at the local, county, region or state level.



National 4-H Week is our time to tell the world about 4-H. This year's theme, **INSPIRED to LEAD | CALLED to SERVE**, captures what it means to be a 4-H member. You are encouraged to find ways to celebrate October 6 – 12. Use the hashtag **#inspiredby4H** and **#inspiredtoLEAD** as you share your 4-H activities on social media. Watch our Facebook page for contests all week long.

National 4-H Week Club Participation Ideas:

- Give presentations at schools, school organizations or other youth-serving agencies
- Have members bring projects to local civic organizational meetings
- Host a project fair in the community to recruit new members
- Have a poster contest for members and hang them around the community
- Promote 4-H projects at relevant businesses in the community
- Take cookies to local businesses with a poster thanking them for their contributions to 4-H
- Take thank you flowers to club leaders
- Host a 4-H fun day for families
- Wear your 4-H clothing to school
- Host a fun run
- Have a community service day and prepare an impact story about the importance of 4-H service
- Plant a tree in honor of 4-H
- Carve pumpkins with the 4-H logo and display at local businesses
- Host a special interest workshop for the community but sponsored by 4-H





NEWS & notes

Livestock Edition



ANIMAL ETHICS

Ethics Requirements for 2019-2020

Youth enrolled in horses, cats & dogs:

Requirement is still a one-time completion of the Quality Assurance & Ethics (QAEC) online training. That training is found here:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

Youth enrolled in beef, sheep, swine, rabbits and/or poultry:

New requirement is completion of the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program. This course must be completed every year. It can be taken online at a cost of \$12 or taken through an in-person training at the cost of \$3.

A schedule of in-person trainings will come in future newsletter. If you wish to take the training online, it can be found at yqca.org.

Note: This requirement only applies to youth planning to show a *live* animal at any show - county, state, regional or national. It does not apply to youth exhibiting a poster related to an animal.

If you have questions, contact Jennifer



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all our youth on a very successful State Fair in the livestock barns. Stark County members Cash Kinsella, Cole Kinsella and Lucas Wisnefski all did well in the beef showmanship classes. Our counties were also well represented in the Champion Drive. We commend you all for working hard all year and wish you continued success in the future!

Coming Soon

We will be piloting a new record book app. Specific clubs will be asked to join the pilot, but we will also be asking specific livestock members, such as those showing bucket calves, to try the app. Stay tuned for more details.



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Scribbles and Scrawl

Greetings,

Welcome to the start of another 4-H year. We hope you all had a great summer and a good start to your school year.

Please try to get your re-enrollments done early. It makes our lives (and yours) much easier if we have time to identify and fix problems before we hit a deadline crunch.

Teresa is now ready to take over the day-to-day operations of the Henry County community clubs. Please feel free to contact her with your problems/questions at tkirwan@illinois.edu.

Leaders, stay tuned for a leader meeting date.

We look forward to a very fun and active 2019-2020 year!

Jennifer & Teresa



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<https://www.facebook.com/StarkCounty4H?ref=hl>

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