



Deadlines:

- Jan 1** - Teach Scholarships
- Jan 31** - Beef Weigh-in registration
- March 1** - All Enrollment

Events:

- Jan. 25** - Geneseo Livestock Judging Contest
- Feb. 1** - Beef Weigh-in
- Feb. 22** - 4-H Academy
- Feb. 22 & 23** - Jr Leadership Conference
- March 7** - Ag Careers Day
- April 4** - Regional Horse Bowl
- April 25** - Day of Service

Moonlight
Madness



The Stark County Shooting Sports club won first place at the Moonlight Madness parade in Wyoming. Members worked very hard on their float and the results were spectacular. Congratulations to the entire group on your win!



Enrollment Updates

- All re-enrollments should be in 4-H Online.
- New member enrollments must be in by **March 1** if you want to exhibit at the fair
- 4-H Online will not accept new enrollments after **March 1**. You can still enroll by contacting the Extension Office, but you will not be eligible to show at the fair.

Steer Weigh-in

Date: Saturday, February 1

Place/Time:

Henry County - Fairgrounds in Cambridge from 8-10:30 a.m.

Stark County - Wyoming Sale Barn from Noon-3 p.m. Please be arrive by 2:30 p.m.

All steers must be weighed-in even if they are only showing at the county level. State Fair steers will still require an 840 tag in addition to the tattoo.

Requirement: Please contact Jennifer by **January 31** if you plan to bring steers to weigh-in.

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Our offices will be closed from Friday, December 20 to Monday, January 6. Happy New Year from all of us at Extension!

Club News and Notes



Henry County Archery

The next archery sessions will begin on Monday, February 24. Sessions will continue every Monday through March 30. Individual sessions will start at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 each Monday. The range fee is \$2.50 for each session.

Register by contacting the Extension Office or Stephanie Reed.



4-H Academy

The 3rd Annual 4-H Academy will be held on Saturday, February 22 at the Western Illinois QC campus. The day will feature all new sessions ranging from video game design to macramé and food science to weather.

The academy is open to all youth ages 8-18. Registration will open in mid-January and close in mid-February or when all sessions are filled. Look for an email early in 2020 with the registration link.



Ag Careers Day

The next Ag Careers Day will be held on Saturday, March 7 at Black Hawk East. This event is open to youth ages 12 to 18. Youth will select four one-hour sessions to attend throughout the day. Registration will open in February.



The college exploration event of the year is set for 2020. Illini Summer Academies will be held

June 21-27 on the University of Illinois campus. Registration opens March 16 and runs through April 17. Youth requesting financial assistance should apply January 31 to March 1. Look for new information soon.

Junior Leadership Conference

You'll laugh. You'll make new friends. You'll even learn cool ideas to take back to your own 4-H club at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7th and 8th grades. The conference is only open to the first 100 participants, so register as soon as possible at go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc.



Where: Holiday Inn in Effingham

When: February 22 & 23

Workshops:

- Flying into the Virtual World - Take a trip to Europe, South America, and Africa through the world of virtual reality. Help solve international problems in the form of fun engineering challenges!
- Tacky Tourist Trivia - On this trivia tour, you'll test your knowledge of the world, 4-H, pop culture, and more.
- Weathering the Storm of Agriculture - Find out how the weather and agriculture affect one another and the impact of both across the globe.
- Follow Our Lead - Take a trip to India to learn and practice dancing fusion and experience the rich cultural history the dance has to offer.
- Pass the Plate - Explore international diets, learn about the components of proper nutrition, and complete a food science experiment....and participate in a food packing event.

SFI4-H



Speaking for Illinois 4-H

The next Speaking for Illinois 4-H training will be held on March 21 in

Sterling, IL. The training will take place in the Whiteside County Extension Office. Cost to attend is \$12.

Once you go through the training, you will be eligible to attend the Legislative Connection events in Springfield. It is a great state level leadership opportunity! Registration opens in January at go.illinois.edu/sfi4H.

Club News and Notes



The 2020 IAA scholarship applications are now available. There are more than 76 scholarships available through the Illinois and County Farm Bureaus totaling \$118,000 in tuition support.

Applications are due

BEFORE February 1, 2020. Visit www.iaafoundation.org for applications and instructions.

Enroll in Food Science to win cash!

The Chicagoland Food Science Foundation will be awarding \$50 to the top food science project in each county this year. Look for full details this summer, but enroll in the project now so you don't miss out!



◆ Teach Outdoor Scholarship

A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a student who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school in the 2020-2021 year.

Applicants must be current high school or home school student. Applications due **January 1**

◆ Joyce Betz Memorial Scholarship

A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H member who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school in 2020-2021.

Applications are due **January 1**

Both applications can be downloaded at :

www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html

World of

7 Billion

The video contest challenges you to think critically about some of the planets most pressing issues and come up with solutions. Share what you've learned in a 60-second video. The contest is open to all middle and high school students worldwide, and the deadline for submissions is February 27, 2020. Up to \$1,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to 80 student winners.

Submit entries at www.worldof7billion.org



Be a true leader in service

Join 4-H members and clubs across Illinois and the nation on Saturday, April 25 as part of the True Leaders in Service. The month of April is always designated as service month and April 25 is the National Day of Service.

Start thinking of possible community service activities now. If you need inspiration, find resources at go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice. Closer to the date, you will be able to register your project.



Citizenship Washington Focus is a life-changing week that empowers 4-Her's to take their leadership to the next level. The trip is July 4-11. You must be at least 14 by May 1, 2020 to attend.

During the week you'll explore the legislative process through workshops and hands-on sessions, tour historical sights and give your voice on issues.

Cost is estimated at \$1,305 with some financial assistance from the IL 4-H Foundation. Deadline to register is **January 3** at go.illinois.edu/4HCWF.



NEWS & notes

Livestock Edition



**REMINDER ANIMAL ETHICS

Ethics Requirements for 2019-2020

Youth enrolled in horses, poultry, rabbits, cats & dogs:

That training is found here:

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

Youth enrolled in beef, sheep, swine, and goats:

Online - The training can be completed here:

Online training here: yqca.org.

2. **In Person** - We will offer one in-person training per county in the winter/spring. Cost of certification through this method is \$3, but it will only certify you for one year.

Note: This requirement only applies to youth planning to show a *live* animal. It does not apply to youth exhibiting a poster related to an animal.

If you have questions, contact Jennifer

Upcoming Horse Dates

Regional Horse Bowl/Hippology - April 4 @ Knoxville High School.

* Individuals and teams must qualify at the regional contest to move on to the State contests which are Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, April 19 in Champaign.

State Horse Speaking Contest - Saturday, April 18 in Champaign. No pre-qualification needed. \$3 to enter and must register with Extension Office by mid-March.

State Horse Show - July 26 through August 2, 2020

Geneseo Livestock Judging Contest

When: Saturday, January 25, 2020

Where: Black Hawk East Ag Pavilion

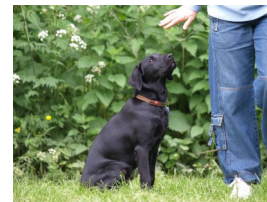
Time: Registration 8:00-9:45 a.m.
Contest 10:00 a.m.

What: 3 Beef, 3 Swine, 2 Sheep, 1 Goat and 1 EPD class with 1 question class from 3 species.

Divisions: Junior (8th grade and under)
Senior (9th-12th)

Cost: \$20 if registered on or before January 20
\$25 after January 20

Contact: Brian Stahl at (309) 945-0347 or bstahl@dist229.org



DOG OBEDIENCE CLINIC

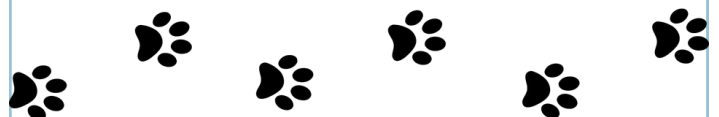
When: Saturday, January 18; 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Where: Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center
613 River Lane, Dixon, IL

Topics Covered: Agility, Grooming, Health & Nutrition, and Rally. Presenters will be expert dog handlers and veterinarians.

Register: go.illinois.edu/state4-Hdogclinic

Do NOT bring dogs. This training is for 4-H members only and is sponsored by the State Livestock Ambassador Team. The livestock ambassadors will be doing dog trivia games and activities during the morning.



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Scribbles and Scrawl

Greetings,

Please remember to get enrollments done as soon as possible. When choosing projects, remember that you can only enroll in one level of a project. For example, you cannot be enrolled in both Woodworking 1 and Woodworking 2.

There are a lot of events coming up in the January/February/March time frame. Be sure to take advantage of those events. They are great leadership opportunities for award applications.

We wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a very Happy New Year. We will see you in 2020!

Jennifer & Teresa



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