## Washington County 4-H News March 2019

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### Events
- **March 2**: Explore ACES
- **March 9**: Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training, Okawville
- **March 12**: Rabbit Workshop, Pocahontas
- **March 13**: Unit 23 Archery Committee Meeting
- **March 16**: Livestock & Dairy Judging Contest, DuQuoin
- **March 19**: Hunger Ambassadors Mobile Market
- **March 30**: Regional Horse Bowl and Hippology
- **March 31**: Local Public Speaking Contest Entries Due

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**Contact Information**

**Bond County**
- 925 E. Harris
- Greenville, IL 62246
- 618/664-3665

**Clinton County**
- 1163 N. Fourth
- Breese, IL 62230
- 618/526-4551

**Jefferson County**
- 4618 Broadway
- Mt. Vernon, IL 62864
- 618/242-0780

**Marion County**
- 1404 E. Main
- Salem, IL 62881
- 618/548-1446

**Washington County**
- 9623 Wall St.
- Nashville, IL 62263
- 618/327-8881

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Save The Date

**April**

2  Leader’s Hullabaloo Committee Skype Call/Meeting
6  Jefferson County Hosting Livestock Judging Contest, TBD
8  Unit 23 Public Speaking Contest at Kaskasia College
13 State 4-H Hippology and 4-H Horse Speak-
14 State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest
16 Hunger Ambassador Mobile Market
24 Livestock Judging Contest and Skill-a-thon,
27 National 4-H Day of Service
27 State 4-H Horse Judging Contest, Galva
29 Sheep Weigh In

**May**

4-5 4-H Memorial Fish Camp, Monticello
8-9 Legislative Connection, Springfield, by invi-
tation
11 State 4-H Robotics Competition, Bloomington
11 4-H Day with the Cardinals
15 Show Entry Paperwork Due at Extension Office
15 Ownership and Lease Paperwork for Horses Due at Extension Office
21 Hunger Ambassadors Mobile Market

**June**

8 – 15 Citizenship Washington Focus Trip
8  Illinois 4-H Public Speaking Contest
17 Illinois 4-H State Livestock Judging, Champaign
18 Hunger Ambassador Mobile Market
23 – 29 Illini Summer Academies
26 Home Economics Show

**July**

3  General Project Show Set Up
6  Animal Science Work Day/Set Up
7  Multi County 4-H Horse Show, TBD
8  General Project Show
9  Small Animal Show
9  Livestock Weigh In
10  Livestock Show
10  4-H Livestock Auction
11  Dairy Show
11  Bicycle Rodeo
12  Swine Premiere
12  Animal Science Tear Down/Work Day
16  Hunger Ambassador Mobile Market
20-21 4-H Shooting Sports Training @ 4-H Memorial Camp
22-28 Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show, Springfield

**August**

10  Washington Co Day at State Fair for General Projects
13  4-H Foundation Celebration Event, Springfield
20  Hunger Ambassador Mobile Market
24  Illinois 4-H State Dog Show, Dixon

**September**

1  Happy New 4-H Year
13-15 4-H Memorial Family Camp
**Unit wide meeting/activity policy**

Every enrolled 4-H member must attend a minimum of four 4-H sponsored meetings, activities, or events during the current 4-H year (September 1 - show day) in order to be eligible for 4-H exhibition, premiums, or other 4-H awards and recognition.

**4-H Show Handbooks**

4-H Show Handbooks are being proofed now and will be available the first part of March. This year, show handbooks will be available online and will only be printed in small quantities for show staff. Please let us know if you have issues accessing the online version and we will be more than happy to assist.

**Quality Assurance and Ethics**

Quality Assurance and Ethics certification is a requirement for 4-H and FFA members who plan on exhibiting any of the following species at the county level: beef, dairy, goats, horses, poultry, rabbits, dogs, cats, sheep and swine. This includes both live exhibits and posters/displays, etc. All exhibitors should complete this training by May 1. Participants are required to only take the QA&EC training once for any species. The website [http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/](http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/) should be open now and will allow exhibitors to move easily between 5 different modules (and a 6th section specific to a species). Upon completion of the training, the exhibitor’s name will be added to a database. Before exiting the website, participants will want to print a certificate of completion. If you should have any questions or need help completing this certification, please contact the Extension Office for more information.

**Market Barrow Tattooing**

Those 4-H members enrolled in swine projects, please take note. According to Animal Science guidelines, your animals (5 maximum) need to be identified during March. Please call the Extension Office to set up an appointment to get this done.

**Sheep and Goat Wether and Weigh-in**

This event will be held on April 29, 6:00 p.m. at a location TBD. All Washington County 4-H members who wish to show and auction a sheep and/or goat wether at our county show, will need to attend this weigh-in. If you are planning on showing at state, you will also need to attend a state fair weigh in. More information and nomination forms will be sent in early April.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

Amount of scholarships will vary depending on number of applicants (may be up to $1000). Applicants must be 4-H members who are high school seniors planning to attend college or trade school the following year OR a full-time (12+ hours) college or trade school student. Members must have been Washington County 4-H members for a total of 5 years and must have been a member during their senior year in high school. Application and instructions have been mailed. Due Date is April 1.

**BOND COUNTY 4-H FOUNDATION-PARR SCHOLARSHIPS**

This application is almost identical to the Washington County Foundation Scholarship listed above. The Bond County 4-H Foundation, which coordinates activities for the Bond County 4-H program, and Mr. and Mrs. Keith D. Parr have agreed to offer four (4) $2,500 scholarships annually. Applicants must be 4-H members who are high school seniors planning to attend college or trade school the following year OR a full-time (12+ hours) college or trade school student. Members must have been 4-H members for a total of 5 years and must have been a member during their senior year in high school. Application and instructions have been mailed. Due Date is April 1.
Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training Opportunities

Teens have an opportunity this spring to be trained as an Illinois 4-H spokesperson through the Speaking for Illinois 4-H program. Speaking for Illinois 4-H training is open to 4-H members who are 14 and older.

The all-day training experience will prepare teens to support our local 4-H program by soliciting donors, speaking to community groups, and updating county boards or other community governing bodies about local 4-H impact. On a state level, those attending a training can register for 4-H Legislative Connection events at the State Capitol where they will tell their story to Illinois legislators. The registration cost is $12.

Attend training on Saturday, March 9 at Okawville Community Center, 905 N. Henrietta Street, Okawville. Register online at go.illinois.edu/sfi4h.

Celebrate 4-H Volunteers April 7 – 13

Illinois 4-H will celebrate the more than 11,000 4-H adult volunteers supporting and guiding 4-H members during National Volunteer Week, April 7 – 13. 4-H volunteers are the caring adults who are empowering and preparing youth for success as 4-H members provide service to others and in their communities. Today’s 4-H youth are engaged in diverse learning experiences where they practice skills employers want; grow and distribute food to communities in need; steward our natural resources; identify local issues and initiate positive change in local, state, national, and global issues; and they make and influence positive choices for healthy living. All of these things happen because of engaged volunteers in local communities.

Let’s go fishing

With the lake fully stocked, 4-H Fish Camp is back at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Fishing begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 4 and lasts until 2 p.m. Sunday, May 5. Learn how to catch largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, and channel catfish. Learn about fishing tips, lures, bait, equipment, knots, fish behavior, fish management, and fish cleaning. Each group registered will be assigned their own log cabin for lodging with single bunks. Participants must bring their own bedding and toiletries.

A fee of $50 per person covers the complete program, lodging, boat, bait, and three buffet meals, including Saturday lunch and supper and a Sunday brunch. You’ll also have fresh fish fillets to take home! Pre-registration and payment is required. To register, contact 4-H Memorial Camp at (217) 762-2741 or send an email to Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu.
Longer, bigger, better. See yourself at Illini Summer Academies

Spend 6 nights and 7 days on the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus for Illini Summer Academies. Registration opens March 1 at go.illinois.edu/illini4H. Check in at 3 PM Sunday, June 23. The conference ends the morning of Saturday, June 29.

The conference is open to youth who will have completed 8th thru 12th grade by the time of the conference and will be at least 14 by Sept. 1, 2019. Cost varies based on the Academy track you choose! Limited scholarships are available.

Spend 18 hours in one of these exciting college study programs:
- Aerospace Engineering: $440
- Ag Communications: Telling Stories of Ag & Environment: $280
- Ag Mechanization: Horses to Drones: $440
- Animal Nutrition & Welfare: From the Wild to the Mild: $440
- Animal Sciences: $350
- Work Hard & Play Hard: Health, Sports, and Wellness Careers: $250
- Crop Science: Sustainable Food Systems: $240
- Electrical & Computer Engineering: $465
- Food Science & Human Nutrition: From Farm to Table: $290
- Game Design: Digital Art, Storytelling & Fabrication: $315
- Human Development & Family Studies: $275
- Molecular & Cellular Biology: $365
- MyPI Disaster Preparedness: $400
- Natural Resources & Environmental Sciences: Sustainable Summer: $240
- Light & Sound Technologies for Stage & Theater: TBD
- Veterinary Medicine: $355

When you’re not in Academy time, you’ll be exploring campus, hanging out with new friends, and having new adventures you can only find at U of I.

Never too early to think about corn dogs!

Nearly 4,000 4-H members will return to exhibit livestock and general projects at the Illinois State Fair in August. Check out the days our county will be exhibiting at the General Project Show.

NEW IN 2019: Extension office will no longer sell parking passes in advance. Families should plan to pay for parking when they arrive. This will allow you to choose where you want to park (either at any of the private/non-profit sponsored lots to the right of the fairgrounds road or in public lots on the state fairgrounds). The change was made to make it easier for families in case flooding closes some lots. As always, livestock exhibitors must purchase their passes when they make their livestock exhibit entries.

Bond, Clinton, Jefferson, Marion, and Washington counties show General Projects at the State Fair on August 10, 2019.

2019 Illinois State Fair Junior Show Arrival Times
- BEEF: Performance Cow/Calf and Heifers must be in place by noon on 8/6
- BEEF: Steers must be in place by 8 PM on 8/6
- DAIRY: must be in place by 5 PM on 8/13
- GOATS: Meat Goats must be in place by noon on 8/7
- GOATS: Dairy Goats must be in place by 8 AM on 8/11
- GOATS: Pygmy Goats must be in place by 11 AM on 8/16
- SHEEP: Market Lambs must be in place by 8 PM on 8/8
- SHEEP: Breeding Sheep must be in place by 9 PM on 8/10
- SWINE: Gilts must be in place by 8 AM on 8/7
- SWINE: Barrows must be in place by 8 AM on 8/8
- POULTRY: must be in place by 9 AM on 8/7
- RABBITS: must be in place by 8:30 AM on 8/12
Join 4-H Members and Clubs across Illinois and the nation on Saturday, April 27 as part of True Leaders in Service. On this day, show the world how 4-H is making a difference in your community! 4-H clubs serve their communities all year long, however; April has been selected as a time for ALL 4-H clubs to join together and roll up our sleeves in service to local communities. This could mean helping a person or family in need doing yard work or minor home repairs; cleaning up streets or parks, planting trees or gardens; supporting your local food pantry, or any other project that supports a local need. While community service can happen all year long, if 4-H members and clubs plan to engage in service efforts before the end of April, they should plan to register their effort on the National 4-H True Leaders in Service website prior to Saturday, April 27. The website opens March 1 @ https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/. Community Service resources are available now!

The goal of the 4-H True Leaders in Service day is to encourage 4-H members in every county to make a positive difference. Service projects can be done by individuals; by 4-H clubs; or as a county-wide service project. No matter what the project is, this will be a day to make a difference. Illinois members and/or clubs who complete the 5 steps below can claim a “national” 4-H activity on their end-of-year 4-H Experience Award Application.

Register your event beforehand at: https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/ through the National 4-H Council website.
Go to go.illinois.edu/4Hservice and find helpful resources – the Illinois resources are also posted on the National 4-H True Leaders in Service website.

Promote your event on social media using #thats4H and #TrueLeaders. Tag @illinois4H for a chance at fun prizes for your club!

Complete your event then use the link to go back to the National 4-H True Leaders in Service site to REPORT the number of youth and adults who volunteered/participated in the service project; number of hours youth and adults were involved in the service effort; and upload photos of the event in action.
Go to go.illinois.edu/4Hservice after your event and submit a report on what you did.

We want you to register and report using both the National and State links so we do not miss any of the great things that is happening across Illinois and also to ensure that you qualify for the national 4-H activity experience!

FUN FACT – Illinois 4-H had more True Leaders in Service activities conducted and reported than ANY OTHER STATE in 2018! Let’s see if we can go even bigger in 2019!

Plant your own pollinator garden
You can receive free seed to help establish habitats for honey bees and other pollinators with the help of the GROWMARK System. Growing the number of pollinator gardens this year will help provide even more habitat for bees and other beneficial pollinator species.

Here’s how:
Find a public place and get permission to plant a pollinator garden before you apply.
Complete the online application by April 1 @ www.bit.ly/2019GMKPollinator
If you have questions, contact Karen Jones, kjones@growmark.com or 309-557-6184.
You’ll receive enough seed to plant a 700-square foot area. GROWMARK will provide educational signage you are asked to post.

Pick your favorites at State 4-H Horse Judging Contest
The State 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be held Saturday, April 27 at Black Hawk College, 26230 Black Hawk Road, Galva. Registration begins at 11 a.m., with the contest following at noon. The contest is open to all 4-H members; one does not need to own a horse or be enrolled in a horse project to participate. Be sure to pick up horse judging cards signed by Extension staff from the county office. Top-placing youth will be invited to participate in an invitational judging contest where the national team will be determined. Go to the Illinois 4-H Website @ go.illinois.edu/IL4H. Click on EVENTS, then State 4-H Horse Judging.
What is the Maker Movement?
The Maker Movement is a technology-based social movement focused on individuals creating new and useful devices in a DIY manner. The Maker Movement utilizes the power of collaboration on a global scale to create and share ideas, software, and hardware that is continuously improved on by anyone willing to contribute. The software and hardware that arise from these global communities is commonly known as open source technologies. The Maker Class empowers those with the creativity and desire to create useful devices or gadgets that have implications beyond this project, and can be useful in the real world.

Who can exhibit in this class?
Any youth that is enrolled in ANY 4-H project area can exhibit in the maker class.

Does the youth have to build a device or can they just design it?
All exhibits must be MUST be manufactured/built by the exhibitor. If not fully manufactured by the exhibitor, the device MUST be modified structurally or be reprogrammed to perform a different function other than what it was designed to do.

What is Open Source, and does the project have to include open source technologies?
Open Source technologies are software or hardware that is created and shared openly by an individual maker or group. With open source software, the source code of the program or app is freely available to download, use and modify to your needs. This is in contrast to a closed source program or app that costs money and can only be used but not modified. Open source hardware may have a fee associated with it, but the plans and specs are available for makers to modify the hardware to their needs. Projects do not necessarily need to use open source technologies, however must be accompanied by detailed build logs and a bill of materials which will make them a part of the open source universe.

What qualifies as a maker project?
Exhibits must be an object or device that has an intended purpose and uses technology in either a mechanical way, digital (computer) way, or combination of the two. The device must be something that can be used in everyday life by multiple people (a target audience), and MUST be manufactured/built by the exhibitor. If not fully manufactured by the exhibitor, the device MUST be modified structurally or be reprogrammed to perform a different function other than what it was designed to do. Exhibit MUST be able to interact with the outside world (e.g. an off switch, input sensors, feedback, etc.) and MUST include a detailed build log and bill of materials. A 3D printed or laser cut object alone does not qualify for this class. Projects will be judged on originality, real-world applications and market viability, ability to explain design process and concepts, as well as the appearance and build log/bill of materials.

Examples include:
A weather station that updates a farmer on current weather conditions
A Raspberry Pi based device that keeps track of animals on a farm
A device that recognizes friends that come over for sleep overs
A new design for a mechanical blender
A light up shirt for night time bike riders
A homemade videogame arcade that uses open source software as the operating system.
A handheld device used for identifying insects on freshly picked fruit
And so much more!!

Please contact illeSTEM-4H@illinois.edu for more details.
2019 Livestock & Dairy Judging Contest

March 16, 2019
DuQuoin State Fairgrounds
655 Executive Drive
DuQuoin, IL  62832

Registrations begin at 9:30 am
Contest begins at 10:00 am

Please Pre-register your teams at the Perry County Extension Office
3764 State Rtes 13/127
Pinckneyville, IL 62274
Phone: 618-357-2126
Fax: 618-357-3934
Email: rkshuber@illinois.edu
Online:
http://web.extension.illinois.edu/fjprw/

For additional Information
Contact:
Rhonda Shubert
618-357-2126

REVISED DATE

Junior 4-H Division
Livestock Judging & Question Contest
(Open to 8th grade and under)

Senior 4-H/FFA
Livestock Judging & Question Contest (Non-Reasons)
(Open to high school freshmen through seniors)

Junior 4-H Division
Dairy Judging
(Open to 8th grade and under)

Senior 4-H/FFA
Dairy Judging
(Open to high school freshmen through seniors)

All FFA Teams will be 4 count 3
Bring as many teams as you want!

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Livestock Judging Contest

SAT., April 13, 2019
JEFFERSON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS • INA
Hosted by the Jefferson County 4-H Youth Livestock Auction Committee
Registration opens at 11 a.m. Contest begins at 11:30 a.m.

Jr. Division 8-13
Sr. Division 14-18
both divisions non-reasons
$10 per team.
Teams are four, count three

4-H, school, and breed association teams welcome.

Show Prep Clinic
Following the Judging Contest
Learn the basics of getting ready to show & get tips on what to expect at the fair.

Swine • Beef • Sheep • Goat
Poultry • Rabbit

REGISTER BY APRIL 10 AT go.illinois.edu/bcjmw

Call 618-242-0780 for more information.

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Unit 24 Livestock Judging Contest and Skill-a-thon

- 6-7 Rings of Livestock
- 1 Questions Class
- Breed Identification
- Feed Ingredients Identification
- Equipment Identification
- Livestock Educational Presentations
- Cash Prizes
- Door Prizes

Lunch sponsored by:

Who: All 4-H/FFA members 8-18
What: $5.00 cash registration fee per person
When: 9:00 a.m. Saturday, April 20, 2019
Where: Hamilton County Fairgrounds in McLeansboro

RSVP to the Hamilton County Extension office at 618-643-3416 or email pihatfic@illinois.edu by Friday, April 12.

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Two ways to give to 4-H

Paper Clover Campaign returns in March: It’s never been easier to support 4-H. March 27 – April 7, you can donate to 4-H at your local Tractor Supply stores as part of the Paper Clover campaign. Money donated at your store stays right in the county where it’s given! Last fall, the campaign raised $1 million!

Get your Clover at JOANN stores: Between March 1 and April 30, you can donate to 4-H at your local JOANN store. Purchase either a $1 or $4 Clover for Kids at the register. $4 clovers have a coupon for $4 off your next visit to the store.
2019 4-H DAY WITH THE CARDINALS
Saturday, May 11, 2019

Ticket Orders Must be Postmarked by April 1, 2019!

4-H members, alumni, families and their friends are invited to join us for 4-H Day with the St. Louis Cardinals, Saturday, May 11. The Cardinals will be playing the Pittsburgh Pirates in a 1:15 p.m. game in Busch Stadium. Prior to the game, 4-H members and their parents/leaders can take part in a parade around the ball field—that's right, participants will actually get to go down on the field and march one time around the stadium behind their state or county 4-H banner. Also, everyone who orders a ticket on this form will receive a specially designed t-shirt featuring the 4-H and Cardinals logos to commemorate the day. **Note: Groups of families or county groups that wish to sit together must send their orders in one package**. Tickets usually sell out, so order early. Tickets and t-shirts will be mailed on April 29.

You could throw out the first pitch of the game, get an autographed baseball, or win other great prizes! 4-H members who participate in the 4-H raffle will have a chance to be selected to throw out the first pitch, and other family members, alumni, and guests can win other great prizes. Each person who completes Section B of the order form will receive one chance to be selected for every $1 they donate to the 4-H Day with the Cardinals Raffle Fund. You must order tickets on the form below to participate in the raffle. See the back of the form for details and a list of prizes.

Return this form to:
Rhonda Shafer, University of Missouri Extension, 880 W. College, Troy, MO 63379
For more information: (636) 528-7038, http://www.4h.missouri.edu/4h-day-with-4h-day-with-cardinals

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**TICKET ORDER FORM**

All orders must be postmarked by April 1, 2019.

Complete both parts of this form to be eligible for all 4-H Day with the Cardinals opportunities.

Name: ____________________________ Phone: (______) ____________________

Address: ____________________________

Street: ____________________

City: ____________________ State: ______ Zip: __________

County: ____________________

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Section A: Complete this part to order tickets and t-shirts for 4-H Day with the Cardinals. Tickets and t-shirts will be mailed on April 29. Tickets are for Pavilion seating. All tickets are $25.00. All sales are final, no refunds.

**Payment must be received with order.**

Section B—4-H Raffle: Complete this part to have an opportunity to throw out the first pitch or win other great prizes! 4-H Day with the Cardinals Raffle Fund provides one chance to win. Be sure to indicate the number of chances for each family member. All proceeds will be used to support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs.

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Section A

Please indicate how many of each size t-shirt you will need:

____ Youth Large
____ Adult Medium
____ Adult X-Large
____ Tickets @$25 each.____

Section B

Total number of 4-H raffle chances:

____ chances @$1  $____

Total Enclosed: $____

Make checks payable to:
Lincoln County 4-H Council

Revised 1/23/19
Schedule of Events
4-H DAY WITH THE CARDINALS
Saturday, May 11, 2019
http://www.4h.missouri.edu/4h-day-with/4h-day-with-cardinals

11:00 - 11:45 am .... All members who wish to participate in parade around the ball field
arrive. We will send information on where to gather when we send
tickets and t-shirts.

11:45 am ............... Enter stadium and line up for parade.

12:30 pm .............. Pre-Game Ceremony, including first pitches and 4-H Pledge.

1:15 pm .............. Play Ball!

Note: We have a limited number of seats, and have usually sold out early. Seats
will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. So send your order as
quickly as possible.

All ticket orders must be postmarked by April 1!

4-H Raffle Details
Winners will be notified after April 29.
Prizes will be mailed to winners after the game.

Each dollar donated to 4-H in the raffle will provide one chance to win. First prize, the
opportunity to throw out the first pitch, must be awarded to a 4-H member only. All
other prizes are available to youths and adults. All funds donated will be used to
support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs. You must purchase 4-H Day with the
Cardinals tickets on the attached form if you wish to participate in the 4-H raffle.

Prizes:

1st Prize: Throw out the first pitch (must be a 4-H member), one Missouri and one
Illinois winner.

2nd-4th Prize: Four tickets to watch a 2019 Cardinal game in all inclusive seats (includes
tickets, food, and beverages). Approximate value - $400

5th-16th Prize: Baseball autographed by a Cardinal player.

17-21 Prize: Vouchers for four tickets to a 2019 Cardinal baseball game ($80 - $100
value).