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# Richland County 4-H NEWSLETTER



2023/2024



**Don't forget:**

Re-enrollment deadline is December 31 in Z-Suites.

**The Southern Smilers 4-H club will be accepting donations for the Ronald McDonald House until December 14th. Items accepted for donation include toys (such as board games, stuffed animals/dolls, books, and puzzles, etc.), non-perishable foods, household items/toiletries, etc. If you wish to donate, you can drop off those items at the Extension Office. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated!**

They would really like to get some of these awards out to our Richland County clubs; Please consider applying

**\$500**

**COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS**

**4-H Clubs & FFA Chapters**

Make a positive impact in your community by coordinating an improvement project

- + Tree Plantings
- + Landscaping
- + Community Gardens
- + Fairgrounds Updates
- + Park Improvements

**APPLY BY FEB. 29, 2024**  
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# SOCK PUPPET



**December 13, 2023**

Olney Public Library

**Illinois Extension**



Students 2nd grade and older are eligible. Class size is limited so sign up today!

**Sock Puppet:** In this activity, we will use our creative side and make sock puppets that we can use to put on a play.

**December 13 from 4pm-5pm.**



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# December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2  Unit 25 Holiday Workshop
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13  Spark at the Library	14  last day to make donations for Ronald McDonald House	15	16
17	18	19  Office Closed	20	21	22  Office Closed	23
24	25  Office Closed	26  Office Closed	27  Office Closed	28  Office Closed	29  Office Closed	30  3



# January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>31</b>  Re-enrollment deadline	<b>1</b>  Office Closed	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
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