

McLean County 4-H Recognition of Excellence November 1, 2022

Join us as we honor club members, leaders, and volunteers for their contributions and accomplishments. Together, we learn by doing in 4-H. As we learn, we share knowledge and experiences with others. The cycle involves people of all ages and interests, and ultimately benefits our club, community, country, and world.

4-H YOUTH IN ACTION AWARD

The 4-H Youth in Action Program nationally recognizes four confident young leaders with diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives in our core pillar areas: agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living and STEM.

Congratulations Avani Rai, 4-H member of the Teen Teacher SPIN Club, for being an Illinois Finalist for the 2022 4-H Youth in Action Award for Healthy Living.

Avani's passion for public speaking didn't come easily, but it opened up a whole new world to her. On a small stage in Illinois, Avani found her voice and dove into all 4-H has to offer. As her passion for public speaking and leadership grew, Avani explored several roles where she could build her skills and connect with others while serving her community. First as a McLean County Teen Teacher through a 4-H SPIN club and later as an Illinois 4-H Healthy Living Delegate and Food Advocacy Ambassador, Avani's interest in the need for food security and raising awareness about heathy living—focusing on accessible nutritious foods—bloomed. With the support of her 4-H community, Avani is confident she will continue her path of leadership, service and mentorship. A rising high school senior, Avani dreams of pursuing law and utilizing legislation to bring the topics of Healthy Living and food advocacy into the spotlight.





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MOSBACHER 4-H SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The recipients of the Mosbacher Scholarship will receive scholarships for their education in recognition of their 4-H activities, citizenship, leadership, and community involvement. The scholarship was created in 1971 to recognize Eugene O. Mosbacher's twenty-sixth anniversary as the McLean County Agricultural Extension Advisor. The Mosbacher 4-H Educational Fund has awarded this scholarship for the past 45 years. This year's applicant pool was full of wonderful applications, and the Mosbacher Committee felt all of the applicants had done outstanding work in their 4-H careers.

CARINA ENGST

Carina Engst is a 6-year member of the 4-H Teen Teacher SPIN Club. She is currently a freshman at Monmouth College, where she was named Admiral Scholar, majoring in Biochemistry and minoring in Spanish.



Carina attributes 4-H for helping her develop life-long skills such as the ability to think critically, to problem-solve, and to work collaboratively with others within leadership roles. She has used her place as a team leader in 4-H Teen Teachers to help mentor new members as well as lead camps and workshops at the Unity Community Center. In high school, Carina held a lead role in National Honors Society, was a member of Key Club, Spanish Club and a leader for the Freshman Mentor Program at NCHS. During her time with 4-H she has led many initiatives for community service projects, such as coordinating a food drive to support the Illinois 4-H Food Advocacy Team. Carina was also on the Illinois 4-H Youth Leadership Team where she helped lead and plan the Illinois 4-H Jr. Leadership Conference. Other involvements include the University of Illinois Illini Academy Production Team, 4-H Speaking for Illinois and Legislative Connection.

REAGAN PARKS

Daughter of Sid and Jeanne Parks,
Reagan is an 11-year member of
both Stylistics and Homespun 4-H
Clubs. She is a junior at Illinois State
University where she is studying
Nursing. As a 4-H member, she was
highly involved in Home and Family,
Foods, Nutrition, and Health, and
Visual Arts. She also enjoyed participating
in National 4-H activities, such as National 4-H
Congress, National 4-H Conference, and the Healthy
Living Summit.

Reagan served as the 2021 McLean County Fair Queen, where she encouraged young people to continue to be involved in county activities. Reagan plans to continue to be involved in 4-H as an alum and a club leader.

"With older siblings who were in 4-H, I've been surrounded by 4-H my entire life. It's second nature to me; being a part of a club, helping out in my community, and serving others. 4-H is simply a way of life for me."



LAUREN MOHR

Lauren Mohr has been involved in 4-H since 2006, where she started as a Cloverbud in the Ardent Tillers 4-H Club. She has participated in a broad range of 4-H activities; including the State Public Speaking Competition, Unit Livestock Judging Team, Speaking for Illinois 4-H, and the State Livestock Ambassador Team. Lauren currently attends Illinois Central College working towards a double major in Animal Science and Ag Business, with hopes to pursue a career in livestock genetics. She is also a member of the Livestock Judging Team at ICC. 4-H taught her the importance of giving back as well as deciding what she wanted to do in life. During her 4-H career she exhibited many different projects ranging from sheep and dairy cattle, to woodworking, visual arts, and public presentation. Using her skills learned from holding every different position in her 4-H club, and serving as the 2021-2022 Illinois Association FFA State Reporter.



"4-H has helped lay the foundation for me to grow! It is because of this organization that I know what I want to accomplish in my life and has helped me develop the skills to do so. Thank you Illinois 4-H"

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GRACE FORD

Grace Ford joined 4-H when she was nine years old and is now entering her seventh year in the program. She was introduced to the program by her mom who had a full 4-H career and believes it had a significant impact on who she is today. Grace graduated high school in June 2022 and



currently attends Heartland Community College. She has a love of creating and decorating and a desire to focus on the sciences with a career path to be determined.

4-H has taught me the importance of helping others. Where I know I can, I help in the community. I help neighbors and friends when they have asked for a hand. I've helped clean parks. I volunteered at my future job for three summers learning all I could about birds and rocks.

CALEB WIDENER

Caleb Widener is a 9-year 4-H member. He has been in Homespun, Power Surge, Power Surge 2.0, and Team Metal Cow. He graduated high school in the spring and is now attending Parkland College to study Aviation and Mechanical Engineering. Caleb is thankful for the variety of opportunities that 4-H has afforded him and owes his



career choices to these varied opportunities. He plans to continue to be involved with 4-H robotics for many years to come. While in 4-H, he participated in many committees and leadership roles within his club. Caleb served as build lead for Metal Cow Robotics where he taught students how to use machinery for robot fabrication in a safe manner and organizes guest safety presentations by an OSHA inspector. He also worked along side other members as Vice President to help team members plan and participate in competitions.

4-H provided me with leadership opportunities and foundational knowledge of STEAM fields. Robotics connected me with mentors and industry experts in the fields of manufacturing, engineering, coding, CAD, and project management. I was able to explore many different career options through my time in Metal Cow Robotics..."

4-H CONGRESS

Congratulations to the McLean County youth selected as Illinois 4-H Delegates for National 4-H Congress 2022.

Ojas Shah Silverleaf Let's Go Ag **Peter Metivier** Linden Lead'em **Shandre Willoughby** CIPS Kids 4-H SPIN Club

FIRST YEAR OUTSTANDING

3-F

Haleigh Guy

4-H Mighty Mutts SPIN Josephine Moodie

4-H Teen Teacher SPIN

Abithu Dodda

Ardent TillersWilliam Spaulding

Big DreamsRied Melton

FIRST YEAR OUTSTANDING

Bloomington Busy Bees

Jackson Bridgette Marshall Buhrke Eva Coffman Kailea Grieshaber Mearah Litwiller Karis Loggans Khloe Loggans Aubrey Seckler Eliana Seckler Sophia Smith Isaac Walker

Blue Ribbon Kids

Brooklyn Grice Lucy Jamerson Brynlee Wyant Katelyn Weber

Bridle Path

Sophoe Deany Weston Grampp Alaina Kelley Hope Leininger Khloe Parsons Kole Parsons Noah Parsons Noah Reisinger Tessa Reisinger Ethan Reisinger Tanner Reisinger Donulus Schantz Eva Schantz

CIPS Kids 4-H SPIN Club

Laila Aprahamian Taylor Jordan

County Capri

MaKylee Assani Eden Fitzgerald Ava Jones Luke Murphy Alana Smith Sophia Struck Libby Thomas Laila Vance Nathan Vance Celia Whitted Coy Whitted

Danvers Industrial Youth

Alice Brucker Ethan Dearing Landon Freitag Sawyer Grieder Micah Hartzold McKenzie Knudsen Finley Kruger Diesel Woollen

Downs Top Notchers

Annabelle Arnold Abigail Hensley Henry Knobloch Samantha Layten Charlie Mizell Stella Mizell Myles Moodie Phoebe Salazar Joseph Tocco Oliver Tocco Brooklyn Zwilling

Dry Grove

Amelia McClure Hunter McClure Lily Mitchell

Ellsworth Tip Toppers

Wilson Gentry Owen St. Peters Charly Wyant

Emerald Leaders

Emma Watson Hudson White

Future Leaders

Alicia Celeste Ebonda Jayden Hinz Kalyce Jones-Brandon Kalyssa Ross Damien Woods Jeannae Woods Carelle Yetimbi

Gridley Golden Banner

Mindy Cornwall Johnathan English Joseph King V Paityn King Kaiden Murray

Hearts & Hoofbeats

Carter Arrington Kyra Hough Caden Maurer

Home Spun

Jadon Cheek
Elliott Franklin
Alexander Hagberg
Samuel Hagberg
Doxa Kudari
Hannah Kudari
Miriam Mitchell
Grace Poirier

Hudson Ag

Tyler Brutlag
Ares Clark
Jade Current
Dalila Geshiwlm
Amelia Holmes
Levi Husseman
Brigham Kruger
Carley Lange
Grace O'Grady
Daniel Rhoades
Leilah Tanner
Liam Tanner
Crew Tomasiewicz

Learn and Lead

Amelia Easter Emma Eloiza Charlotte Leanard

LeRoy 4-H

Layla Bratcher
Garrick Dean
Ayla Hopkins-Meyer
Marilyn Kinney
Kennedy Marcy
Abigail Nordstrom
Makenzie Van Note
Mason Van Note
Cody Volk
Peyton Volk

Lexington Leprechauns

Cayden Baker Gabriel Biehl Alexander Hand Ellie Jones Lyndi McArdle Adam Muir Luke Muir Paul Muir

Linden Lead'em

Shay Barnlunch
Bristol Colby
Norah Eimen
Madison Fenger
Carson Cross
Camden Haney
Tatum Mulliken
Hadleigh Pilchard
Josiah Ramler
Kathleen Rea
Henry Schreck
Caleb Thompson
John White
lustus Witte

FIRST YEAR OUTSTANDING

McLean County Shooting Sports SPIN

Michael Kaider Sophie Masterson Elliott Smith Harrison Smith Lucas Sniff

McLean County Shooting Stars

Victoria Bagley Hans Kaufmann

Olympia Pacesetters

Morgann Ballard Weston Brandt Lincoln Clayton Braden Deal Galen Harms Warren Harms Cannon Hoffman Dylan Nowaskie Taylor Nowaskie Marlowe Rabbe Silas Stickling



Power Surge SPIN

Vikhyath Chatrathi Viswambari Devari Akshaya Galla Manvitha Lella Monish Pathipati Aditya Pericharla Nathan Ringle Nirdesh Satya Greyson Thome Travis Wright

Saybrook Willing Workers

Cade Morefield Weston Ream

Silverleaf Let's Go Ag

Landon Cheek Eden Pina

Team MetalCow Robotics SPIN

Yatin Gupta Andrew Guzman Tyler Lopez Ezra Miller Ezra Parker

The STEAM Punks

Cora Clark
lan Clark
Lachlan Clark
Willow Clark
Isabella Davis
Seraphina Davis
Anderson Grammer
Lily Hudson
Luke Hudson
Amelia Leisure
Archie Smith

Towanda 4-H

Brynn Almquist Ava Gully Violet Hoskins Rachel Miller Lynlee Moran Adelaide Phifer Elisabeth Shafer Anjali Vytla Maggie Weber Whitney Yaegel

Wild Oats

Ruby Donovan Elizabeth Terven Gabriella Zotz Rebekah Zotz Zachery Zotz

FIFTH YEAR OUTSTANDING

3F

Emma Quinton

4-H Teen Teachers SPIN

Carina Engst

Ardent Tillers

Isaiah Schwoerer Hannah Spaulding Alyssa Thompson

Big Dreams

Anna Gordon

Bloomington Busy Bees

Erika McBeath Evan McBeath Ella Sommer

Blue Ribbon Kids

Zane Hoffman Kelly O'Connor Kamryn Rinkenberger Reed Weber Hunter Whitehouse

County Capri

Anna Fitzgerald Alexander Holland Audrey Holland Raegan Klawitter Jolee Maharas Kael Morlock Grant Reeser Hannah Rustmeyer Presley Shanahan

FIFTH YEAR OUTSTANDING

Danvers Industrial Youth

Emma Cook Clayton Grieder Camryn Hilt Paislee Hoffman Trayson Miller Noah Walsh

Downs Top Notchers

Jonathon Alarie Adelina Baumann Joseph Hepner Jake Myers

Dry Grove

Amelia McClure Lily Mitchell

Ellsworth Tip Toppers

Owen St. Peters Charly Wyant

Future Leaders

Christiana Ayel Joyce Ayel Jose Yetimbi

Gridley Golden Banner

Ezekial Gaddy

Hearts & Hoofbeats

Kamryn Rader Colton Ragar

Home Spun

Evan Penn

Hudson Ag

Mandy Hacker Calem Kruger Addison Rhoades

LeRoy 4-H

Isaiah Shertz Chase Steege

Lexington Leprechauns

Leslie Lambert Olivia McArdle Jordan Milan Micah Wiltz

Linden Lead'em

Jacob Bauchmoyer Ella Fogle Kate Lammey Paige Martin Anya Schuely Jasper Witte

McLean County Shooting Stars

Levi Hughes Aria Kaufmann Brianna Kieser Brock Leman Kyle Leman Amanda Warren Renee Warren

Olympia Pacesetters

Sierra Whitecotton Abigail Wilson Ashlyn Witham Emmalee Wood

Saybrook Willing Workers Alana Whitfield

Space Age Pioneers

Maritza Roseman-Mendoza

Stylistics

Chloe Knowlton

Team Metal Cow SPIN

Eli Ruetter Julian Rueck Shashikiran Salavath

The STEAM Punks

Fekadu Rogal

Towanda 4-H

Evan Miller

Wild Oats

Eryn White



10 YEAR OUTSTANDING

3-F Shelby Lynch

Ardent Tillers

Lauren Mohr

Big Dreams

Connor Gordon Kari Simpson

Bloomington Busy Bees

Emma Williams

Blue Ribbon Kids

Peyton Rinkenberger

CIPS Kids 4-H SPIN Club

Justin Pierard
Shandre Willoughby
County Capri
Kaitlyn Brown
Austin Russow
Lauren Toohill

Danvers Industrial Youth

Hope Walter

Downs Top Notchers

Zachary Hepner

Hudson Ag

Brian Clapp Ellie HIII Carson Knittle Preston Rhode Logan Saufley

Learn and Lead

Lauren Aldridge

LeRoy 4-H

Madison Hamilton

Lexington Leprechauns

Mallory Boehle Autumn Botkin Brett Clark Elizabeth Clark

Linden Lead'em

Layla Wiedman

Silverleaf Let's Go Ag

Grace Hartrich Hunter Spencer

CLOVERBUDS

Big Dreams

Thomas Carroll Stewart Gordon

Blue Ribbon Kids

Berklee Bedel Edwin Davis Arianna Denham Ashlyn Donaldson Quentin Floyd Megan Forsyth Elliot Henderson Kallie Morefield Evee Petkus James Travis Colton Weber William Wyant Bette Young

Bridal Path

Dixie Grampp Carter O'Kraski Kaitlyn O'Kraski

Carlock Clever Clovers

Andrea Frietsch Haley Janssen Kane Schwoerer Kenzie Schwoerer Oliver Spaulding Esme Stearns Ava Thompson

Danvers Industrial Youth

Savanna Bolin Briggs Burns Harte Burrell Jagger Burrell Ryker Logsdon Willow Saddler Emily Sutter

Downs Little Notchers

Iner Baumann Joel Crider Kylee Crider Evelyn Dudley Brody Fiscus Cora Haag Madelyn Miller Olivia Petri Ashlynn Vogel

Ellsworth Tip Toppers

Emma Barnhill Maren St. Peters

Future Leaders

Faith Ayel Angelo Johnson Ronin Slinker

Hearts & Hoofbeats

Marshall Arrington Hunter Connell Wesley Craig Mackenzie Miller-Dear Kali Taylor

Heyworth Cloverbuds

Anderson Mackenzie Elyanna Assani Maple Davison Aaron Holland

Home Spun

Abigail Harshbarger loy Kudari

Hudson Ag

Reagan Current William Hacker Mallory Lange Clara Richard Maddyn Stark Reagan Thoman Blake Tomasiewicz Felicity Young

Kids Who Serve II Matthew Stanko

LeRoy 4-H
Branch Buckley
Rory Dean
Dylan Donovan
Wyatt Flegel
Collins Henry
Kirby Henry
Arya Hill
Emmerson Lavicka
Thomas Mcknight
Kasey Norin
Wyatt Ready
Mitchell Van Note

Linden Learning

Mara Colby
Jacob Cornwell
Oliver Cornwell
Liam Cox
Cora Fogle
Calvin Haney
Joel Leathers
Harlow Pilchard
Grayson Rabideau
Mariah Ramler
Charley Seifert
Maya Thompson
Karis Wiedman

Olympia Pacers

Emmalynn Bicknell
Hadleigh Bicknell
Thea Brandt
Andrew Burkhart
Abram Erbe
Lynlee Erbe
Haylee Ferguson
Ruth Harms
Brant Hemphill
Fiona Rabbe
Murphy Schrlau
Levi Stickling
Charlotte Whitecotton

Space Age Pioneers

Chloe Burger Lukas Butler Dakota Skelton Peyton Skelton

Towanda 4-H

Harper Almquist Lucas Casselman Savannah Gully Alana Jacobs Raelyn Koerner Maesyn Miller Quinn Weber



ILLINOIS 4-H SUSTAINING THE FUTURE AWARD

The Illinois 4-H Sustaining the Future Award was created to recognize 4-H members who have exemplified outstanding leadership within the agricultural industry. Congratulations to the 2022 winner...

Paige Lemenager

Hudson Ag

As a member of the Illinois 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team, Paige invested her time to create leadership, team-building, and hands-on experiences centered around livestock production and exhibition alongside her teammates. Each year at the Illinois State Fair, Paige worked by scoring management tests and setting up supplies for the skill-a-thon portion of the Superior Young Producers Contest. She was also responsible for leading workshops and checking in participants upon arrival at the Illinois 4-H Youth Livestock Conference. Paige was recently elected social media chair in ambassadors, where it is her primary responsibility to share upcoming events with members through various social media outlets. Paige is also a member of the statewide Youth Education in Agriculture Committee. Her future plans include studying Agriculture Economics with a goal of becoming an agricultural attorney.



EXPERIENCE AWARDS

Illinois 4-H challenges youth to try new things, experiment in project areas they may enjoy, and explore opportunities around the state and country. The Experience Award offers recognition for members who participate in activities and events that center around Leadership, Community Service, and Project Learning. Bronze, Silver, and Gold can be awarded at the county level.

Congratulations Emerald Level Experience Award Winners for the 2021-2022 4-H year:

Project Learning

Carina Engst 4-H Teen Teachers SPIN **Project Learning**

Reagan Parks Stylistics 4-H Club

We would like to wish the following individuals the best of luck as their applications advance to the state level for Diamond consideration. They will be notified of their results from Illinois 4-H:

Claire Malinowksi Towanda 4-H

ILLINOIS 4-H SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

This merit-based scholarship is awarded to five Illinois 4-H members in the categories of Animal Science, Civic Engagement/Global Living, Creating Performing Arts & Communication, Food Systems, Healthy Living/Nutrition, Leadership, Natural Resources & Environmental Science, Personal Growth, and STEM/Robotics.

Congratulations Illinois 4-H Scholarship Winners for the 2021-2022 4-H year:

Leadership

Skye Schumaker County Capri 4-H Civic Engagement & Global Living

Carina Engst 4-H Teen Teacher SPIN

STEM & Robotics

Dhruv Rebba Team Metal Cow 4-H SPIN **Healthy Living/Nutrition**

Reagan Parks Stylistics 4-H Club

BRONZE CLOVER

Danvers Industrial Youth

Blake Buatte Morgan Buatte Mckenzie Knudsen Noella Walter

LeRoy 4-H

Jocelyn Hill Ella Mennenga

Towanda 4-H

Ava Gully Annabelle Teufel Caleb Vogel



SILVER CLOVER

County Capri

Jolee Maharas Aubrey Tiller Anita Villanueva

Danvers Industrial Youth

Annabelle Sutter

LeRoy 4-H

Claire Kuipers Emily Mennenga

Space Age Pioneers

Bella Binkley Allison Sewell Adalyn Solomonson Weston Solomonson

Towanda 4-H

Claire Campbell Sophia Clement Jacob Clouse Alex Clouse Austin Kessinger Drhuv Ravinuthala

GOLD CLOVER

Hearts & Hoofbeats

Kamryn Rader

Home Spun

Stylistics 4-H

Madison Harshbarger Reagan Parks

PROJECT RECORD BOOK AWARDS

Every year, 4-H members are encouraged to record their hard work from the past year. These records are especially helpful when building a resume and applying for college scholarships. Members develop transferable skills such as time management, record keeping, and reflecting on what they learned through their experiences in their projects.

8 Year Olds

Morgan Ballard Mckenzie Knudsen Brigham Kruger **Grace Poirier** Micah Ramler Caleb Thompson **Brooklyn Zwilling**

9 Year Olds

Shay Barnlund Gabriel Biehl Lauren Burkhart Oakley Burrell Harper Chapman Norah Eiman Eden Fitzgerald Elliott Franklin Aubrie Green Ava Gullv Micah Hartzold Kelson Kuipers Caden Lavicka Maci Logsdon Charlie McCuen Jaxson Misch Martin Pearce Henry Schreck Weston Solomonson Annabelle Sutter

10 Year Olds

Brynn Almquist Andrew Bauchmoyer **Grace Buckley** Alex Fogle Titus Harshbarger Josie Hill Rowen Kruger Shelby Krutke Grayson Leake William Mennenga Kavlee Moser Jonathan Poirier Camden Rabideau Garrett Reeser Ionothan Rodts Maeva Schrlau Noah Schuely Silas Stickling Noelle Walter **Charley Witte**

11 Year Olds

Leya Alcorn Alex Betz Kenzer Burrell **Emry Chapman** Ellie Cook **Andrew Haas** Wesley Hemphill Colton Hemphill Reese Logsdon Lilly Martin Jayce Moser **Avery Mulloy** Lucas Radek Josiah Ramler Dhruv Ravinuthala Claire Schreck **Evelyn Seifer** Adalyn Solomonson Annabelle Teufel Lily Walsh

12 Year Olds

Gavin Ballard Weston Botkin Morgan Buatte Brooke Bussan Alex Clouse Noah Fitzgerald Ella Fogle Charlotte Franklin Gabriella Harshbarger Greyson Hemphill Paislee Hoffman Burrell **Audrey Holland** Alex Holland Austin Kessinger Claire Kuipers Joan McCuen Ella Mennengea Kamryn Rader **Grant Reeser Gwen Rodts** Autumn Vogel Sierra Whitecotton Addison Zwilling

13 Year Olds

Anna Fitzgerald Calem Kruger Max Lampert Jolee Maharas Paige Martin Evan Penn Khloe Sheets **Anya Schuely** Claire Seifert Noah Walsh Lucas White Molly Zolfaghari

14 Year Olds

Hannah Botkin Emma Cook Madison Harshbarger Sarah Hill Doxa Kudari Mallory Miller Corinne Pearce Nathan Penn Kathleen Rea Chase Ruppert Sarah Schwoerer **Aubrey Tiller**

15 Year Olds

Blake Buatte Claire Campbell Sophie Clement Jake Clouse Dalton Kruger Corinne Miller Maurice Ouiram Allison Sewell Ojas Shah Luke Tiller Caleb Vogel Kaitlynn Whitecotton

16 Year Olds

Klayton Botkin Grace Ford Reid Glaser Alyssa Gray Sophie Lampert Claire Malinowski Maggie McNalis Marie Moore Wilson Pearce Easton Penn

17 Year Olds

Kaitlyn Brown Nolan Penn Paige Ruppert **Austin Russow** Samantha Shives Faith Schwoerer Anita Villanueva Hope Walter

18 Year Olds

Autumn Botkin Reagan Parks



The 4-H Pledge

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking, my **HEART** to greater loyalty, my **HANDS** to larger service, and my **HEALTH** to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

2022 ILLINOIS 4-H HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

RACHEL KRIDNER

Whether it be the McLean County 4-H Show, club meetings, or community service events, 4-H volunteers and leaders help give youth opportunities. Our local 2022 Illinois 4-H Foundation Hall of Fame Inductee, Rachel Kridner is that and more for McLean County 4-H and her members.

A third generation Chenoa 4-H Member, Rachel has led the Chenoa Space Age Pioneers 4-H Club for 16 years. Her goal is for each member to find a project area in which they excel. Rachel has a strong belief in teaching youth to give back to their community as evidenced through the visible improvements around the club's hometown. We are grateful for Rachel's commitment to her 4-H members.

Thank you, Rachel. As a volunteer and leader you impact the lives of youth in 4-H, McLean County, and beyond.



Congratulations Rachel, and thank you for your dedication and years of service to McLean County 4-H!

LEADER & VOLUNTEER MILESTONES

In order to be an organizational or club leader, volunteers must go through a screening process and training. Milestone years are based on the number of years a volunteer has had as a screened volunteer.

First Year

Callie Yoder

Devanand Chatrathi Amita Gupta Carissa Haning Kourtney Jontry Matthew Knobloch Paul Rawson Rebecca Sommer Stacy Spaulding Christopher Tabor Erin Vinsel

Fifth Year

Katie Gordon Bradley Haney Sherry Knowles Debra Marquis Florian Rueck David Schwenk Jay Solomonson Sheryl Solomonson Jessica Vannoy Marshal Watson

Tenth Year

Malisa Kraft David Mouser Gracie Weinzierl

Fifteenth Year

Trisha Donaldson Debra Wheeler

Twenty-Fifth Year

Sara Zimmerman

Thirtieth Year

Sarah Van Note

Thirty-Fifth Year

Dianne Weer

Thank You

Fortieth Year

Dennis Mennenga

Fifty-Fifth Year

Ray Ropp



2021-2022 4-H LEADER OF THE YEAR

JEANNE PARKS; STYLISTICS 4-H CLUB

"Jeanne displays such a hardworking, diligent, and caring personality that those who have the pleasure of interacting with her know that she is dependable and works until the job is done. Throughout her involvement in 4-H, Jeanne has consistently demonstrated excellence in not only nurturing her own 4-H club members through a variety of life skills including sewing, teaching others through workshops, public speaking, and community service, she is a wealth of knowledge in the Home & Family area where youth can glean from her years of experience. We would not hesitate to encourage any youth to learn from and excel under her leadership. There is no question in our minds that Jeanne is deserving of Leader of the Year. Her skills, knowledge, willingness to help others and dedication to family, friends and the 4-H community make her the ideal selection. Her contributions have been numerous, and she has absolutely been invaluable to the 4-H program since 1995!"



Congratulations Jeanne, and thank you for your years of service to McLean County 4-H!