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**The office will be  
closed November 3,  
26 & 27 in honor of  
Election Day and  
Thanksgiving.**



I would like to invite you to a ZOOM meeting for new families on Saturday, November 14 at 10am. I will go through the registration process as well as talk about what a typical 4-H year looks like:

- What happens at meetings?
  - What are projects?
- Where can I get project help?
- How do I show my projects?
  - Answer your questions.
- Show you where to find resources.

[https://illinois.zoom.us/j/86958429887?  
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## National 4-H Week

Congratulations to Pin Oak Progressors for winning the contest for promoting 4-H.



Facebook had these awesome frames that you could add to your photo for National 4-H Week. Considering adding these to your pictures for the year.

Last year we ordered several 4-H yard signs to help us promote 4-H in our neighborhoods and at our meeting locations. They make a great welcome sign for new members when they show up at a meeting for the first time. Any families that would like a sign, please contact the Extension office or send an email to [angielyn@illinois.edu](mailto:angielyn@illinois.edu).



Sponsor: <https://4hfoundation.illinois.edu/>



## Secretary and Treasurer Books

Those clubs that submitted their record books by September 15 were eligible to receive the Top Record Book Award:

**Top Secretary Book:** Vanessa Hovey from Alhambra Morning Glories 4-H Club

**Top Treasurer Book:** Karlee Switzer from Cloverleaf Ag. 4-H Club

## I Dare You Award

This prestigious award goes to individuals who were nominated because of their potential to be great leaders and make a difference in their club, their community, their country and their world. We had several amazing nominees this year so it was a very difficult decision, but this year's winners are:



**Karlene Rheaume from Good Producers 4-H Club**

**Michaela Kipp from Quercus Grove 4-H Club**



## Illinois Holstein Award

This award goes to an individual that shows Holsteins at the County Fair. This year we had 1 young lady show her Holstein:

**Emma Meyer from Grant Prairie 4-H Club**

## EEC Electricity Award



This award goes to an individual that completed an electricity project through 4-H and submitted an application describing that project. This year's winner is:

**J.B. Bremer from Pin Oak Progressors 4-H Club**

## Livestock Record Books

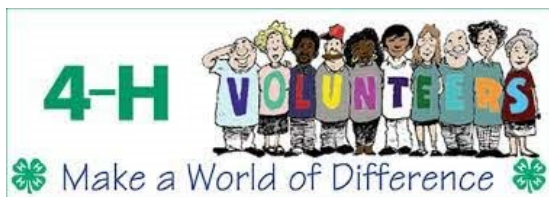
- ♦ **Raeleigh Pfershy**-Pin Oak Progressors
  - ♦ Top 11-14 Poultry
  - ♦ Top Overall Poultry
- ♦ **Emma Meyer**-Grant Prairie
  - ♦ Top 8-10 Dairy
  - ♦ Top Overall Dairy
- ♦ **Dominick Kampwerth**-Grant Prairie
  - ♦ Top 11-14 Beef
  - ♦ Top Overall Beef
- ♦ **Katelyn Kunz**-Good Producers
  - ♦ Top 15-19 Swine
  - ♦ Top Overall Swine
- ♦ **Charli Kunz**-Good Producers
  - ♦ Top 15-19 Swine
  - ♦ Top Overall Swine
- ♦ **Ethan Henschen**-Grant Prairie
  - ♦ Top 11-14 Swine
- ♦ **Completion Certificates:**
  - ♦ Tiffany Hediger
  - ♦ Emma Henschen
  - ♦ Richard Wernle
  - ♦ Mary Rensing
  - ♦ Joshua Mayes
  - ♦ Morgan Langendorf



## County Awards

- ♦ **Mia Abernathy**-Pin Oak
  - ♦ Top Healthy Living & Nutrition
  - ♦ Top Environmental Sciences
- ♦ **Ava Abernathy**-Pin Oak
  - ♦ Top Healthy Living & Nutrition
  - ♦ Top Creative Arts Project
- ♦ **Elaine Obernuefemann**-St. Jacob
  - ♦ Top STEM
- ♦ **Paige Obernuefemann**-St. Jacob
  - ♦ Top STEM
- ♦ **Linda LeDuc**-Quercus Grove
  - ♦ Top Environmental Sciences
- ♦ **Alan Winte**-Cloverleaf Ag.
  - ♦ Top Animal Science
- ♦ **Completion Certificates:**
  - ♦ Sophia Ball
  - ♦ Jenna Bellm
  - ♦ Raeleigh Pfershy
  - ♦ Kaylee Schmidt
  - ♦ Mary Buecker
  - ♦ Kevin LeDuc
  - ♦ Noel Winte





## Congratulations to these Volunteers for reaching year milestones with 4-H:

**1 YEAR DOWN (and hopefully many more to go)**

**Megan Henschen**-Grant Prairie, **Mindy Cory**-Hooves, Paws & Claws & **Stephanie Malench**-The Country Clover SPIN

**10 YEARS**

**Amy Maher**-Fosterburg Ag.

**15 YEARS**

**Karen Mersinger**-Cloverleaf Ag.

**20 YEARS**

**Patty Uhe**-Alhambra Morning Glories & **Jan Denby**-Quercus Grove

**35 YEARS**

**Lynn Weis**-Good Producers & **Margaret Weis**-Good Producers

How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbyes so hard.  
- Winnie the Pooh



Unfortunately we had to say goodbye to some of our leaders this year as they move on to quieter days without 4-H:

- ♦ **Charlene Bandy**-Town & Country 33 years
- ♦ **Marci Knight**-Lucky Horseshoes 4 years

**YOU WILL BE MISSED!**

### HORTICULTURE

District V Garden Clubs of Illinois awarded the following member a Certificate of Excellence:

- ♦ **Linda LeDuc** of Quercus Grove-Horticulture

Lakeview Garden Club awarded the following members Certificates of Excellence:

- ♦ **Mason Cory** of Hooves, Paws & Claws-Floriculture
- ♦ **Corrin Heilig** of Grant Prairie-Horticulture



### 4-H State Hippology Virtual Contest

Congratulations to **Calla Litteken** from Hooves, Paws & Claws 4-H Club for earning 2nd place Reserve High Individual in the Intermediate Division!



## 4-H Registration is Open

Please go to [www.il.4honline.com](http://www.il.4honline.com) and complete your registration by January 1, 2021.

You can find instructions for enrolling here:

**New Enrollment:** <https://uofi.box.com/s/5akg7hq4ayfsgc4ipwj7o0mp4m5jc5kq>

**Re-enrollment:** <https://uofi.box.com/s/31387qi8vfaq8x0s7yml393f8h33mueqm>



## 2020-2021 4-H Project Guide now available!

It's time to pick the 4-H projects that you would like to work on throughout the year and show at the County Fair. You should select at least 1 project, but you can select as many as you think you can complete. There will be an opportunity to order publications that can help you with your projects at a later date. Project resources are available:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/>

## Still not sure what projects you want to try?

Take a look at the new SPARK sheets that are available to help you make your decision. More SPARK sheets will be added throughout the year until all project categories are included but you can access several of them now at the following site:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/project-spark-sheets>



## State Fair Results

The State Fair Results are now public so if you would like to view your projects and those of others please visit this link:

<https://fairentry.com/Fair/Results/3857>



### TRUE LEADERS IN SERVICE – SHARE YOUR STORY!

4-H members and clubs have continued to demonstrate they are ***True Leaders in Service***, as they have worked independently to support both their personal and club goals of making a difference in their community by focusing their energies on the 4<sup>th</sup> “H” and pledge their HANDS to larger service! Illinois 4-H members and clubs have demonstrated how to ***Make the Best Better***, during the COVID-19 crisis by developing plans and taking action collecting and donating food to stock shelves at local food pantries; reaching out vulnerable populations who may not have family members close to pick up needed supplies; and by making hundreds of face masks face masks to distribute to medical facilities; local businesses; and in communities.

If you did not register your plan for serve outreach, please use this link to share what your plan

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/clubs>. Be sure to also follow-up and report what you accomplished on through your service project. The accomplishments of both individual members and clubs will be highlighted on the Illinois 4-H Website so make sure you go use the reporting link located in the middle of the page where it says, **CLICK HERE** to report your 4-H Community Service Activity to provide your club update!

The logo for 4-H Club Officers, featuring the text "4-H Club Officers" in a green, sans-serif font.

## Welcome New 4-H Club Officers!

If you have the position of President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer, please plan on attending the training below (**Effective & Engaging Meetings**) on November 12 at 7pm.

Registration link: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=22664>

## 4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS!

Register to participate in the **4-H Volunteer Café Conversations**. We are so excited to be launching this new Illinois 4-H opportunity creating a platform for 4-H Volunteers from across Illinois to meet virtually and discuss topics of interest, share both ideas and challenges. Volunteers will gain access to tools & techniques to support their volunteer efforts, strengthening 4-H club and member learning experiences. We will address two topics during each Café Conversation so come with your ideas, questions, and since this is a Café Conversation, feel free to bring a snack as well!

### Session #2 - Thursday, November 19, 2020

TOPICS will include:

- ♦ Planning Service Learning & Community Service Experiences that Make a Difference
  - ♦ Communicating Effectively with 4-H Families

Link to register for the next Volunteer Café Conversation:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=22724>

## 4-H VOLUNTEER VIRTUAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

### Effective & Engaging Meetings – Thursday, November 12, 2020

*The 4-H club meeting is typically one of the first experiences for new youth and new families interested in 4-H. This is the place where members get to know one another and share ideas. This means creating engaging and effective club meetings is the first opportunity to capture the interest of the members and the confidence of the parents. Join us to learn key strategies to help you create effective & engaging 4-H experiences in your club!*

Registration link: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=22664>



# Farmers & Friends 4-H Club Fundraiser

Enjoy a breakfast burrito at the Mason Lodge

**NOVEMBER 21, 2020**  
**8AM-NOON**

219 E. St. Louis Street, Lebanon



This is a curbside service, simply pull up, place your order (\$8/burrito) and one of the Farmers & Friends 4-H members will bring your order out to you.

# *The Country Clover Journalism Club*

If you are interested in writing, photography,  
interviewing, newspapers, etc. then this is  
the club for you!

If you would like to see your works  
published in the Troy Times-Tribune  
please contact Angie today at  
[angielyn@illinois.edu](mailto:angielyn@illinois.edu)

