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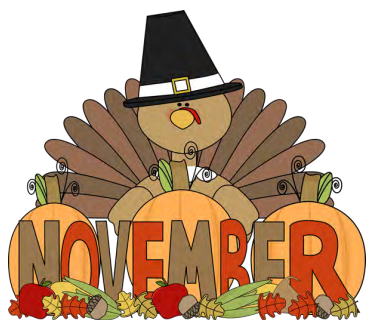
Henry, Mercer, Rock Island & Stark

Deadlines:

Nov. 1 - State Scholarships
Dec. 1 - Reenrollments
Jan. 9 - Future of Ag Award
March 1 - Enrollments

Events:

Jan. 13-15 - Junior Livestock Conference
March 4 - Cloverbud Academy



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Thanks to all the clubs and individuals in all counties who helped celebrate and promote National 4-H Week. We were impressed at the amount of community service and 4-H pride displayed throughout the week. From creating club displays, like Hamlet Handy Helpers above, to delivering snack baskets, to helping with neighborhood clean-up. You all got the 2022-2023 year off to a great start!

Important Information

- ZSuite is now open for enrollments. Leaders have printed directions. You can also find directions on the IL State 4-H Website.
- Reenrollments are still due **December 1**.
- New member enrollments are still due **March 1**.
- Unless your club leader tells you that they will write a club check for enrollments, you must have paid the \$20 fee before your enrollment will be approved. There are always scholarships available. Contact your local office for a fee waiver.
- You do not have to pick all projects at time of enrollment. The project add/drop deadline is **April 1**.

Galva Office Changes

Molly Foster, the office support in Galva and Viola, transitioned to an office in La Salle County as of October 25. We thank her for her years of service and wish her well in her new position.

The Galva Office hours will be changing as of November 1.

New Hours:

Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
8 am - 4 pm

The Office will still be closed from 12-12:30 for lunch on those days. The office will be closed on Mondays and Fridays.

The Viola Office hours will not change.

Club News and Notes



Stark County Shooting Sports Submitted by December Tracy

New officers were elected for the Stark County Shooting Sports club on October 2, 2022. They are:

President - Riggins Shafer
Vice President - Quentin Bloome
Treasurer - December Tracy
Secretary - Isley Shafer
Reporter - December Tracy

Project Spark Sheets

Do you want to know more about a specific project? Every project has a Spark Sheet that contains an example activity to try, project resources, and additional information. These are also great resources for potential new members.

All sheets can be found here: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/ways-participate/projects>

Buccaneers Report Submitted by Bethany Priaulx

On October 23rd the Buccaneers 4-H club started with pledges and by stating their favorite Halloween candy. After the business meeting—which included enrollment information, discussing an Awards Banquet, and volunteering for a Christmas walk—members voted on new officers to serve the club. Here are the results: Alaina Heim as president, Addelyn Snowden as vice president, Colton Heim as secretary, Dalton Carls as treasurer, Bethany Priaulx as reporter, Hannah Priaulx as head photographer, and Cole Stone and Brock Stone as co-photographers. The Cloverbuds returned from their jack-o-lantern votive craft in time to make milk-jug ghosts with the rest of the club.

Next was a bonfire where members roasted hot dogs and marshmallows. The next meeting will be on November 20th, at Ann's Helping Hands, where the club will help fill Thanksgiving baskets.



The Cambridge Champs had a float in their homecoming parade. The Cloverbuds backed by a few of the regular club members showed their 4-H pride on their float!



Magical Muggles Report Submitted by William B.

Magical Muggles met on Monday October 17th. We held our business meeting, did officer training, and did election of officers.

President: Bailey C.
Vice President: Henry M.
Secretary: Haley T.
Treasurer: Willa M.
Reporter: William B.

Our activity for the evening was building Bone Bridges.



Our next meeting will be Monday November 21st.



Club News and Notes



Hamlet Handy Helpers Submitted by Mason Gray

The Hamlet Handy Helpers held their meeting on October 2, 2022. Roll call was taken and the secretary's and treasurer's report were read and approved. Our leader, Brenda Close, contacted the American Legion and told them that we were interested in the Grave Marker Project. Our club helped at the River Bend Food Distribution in Aledo in September. We were informed our club submitted the club Excel Award application for last year. It was voted and approved to donate to the Mercer County Food Pantry this month. The club discussed and accepted our bylaws for the upcoming year. The leaders handed out new packets and enrollment will be done with ZSuite. Our club decorated our display for National 4-H Week. Finally, officer elections took place. New officers are (pictured on the front page):

President - Megan Gray

Vice President - Ryley Zippe

Secretary - Caidel Monson

Treasurer - Addison Monson

Reporter - Mason Gray

Sargent of Arms - Muireann Zippe

After our meeting we held our annual weiner roast.

Alexis All Stars Report Submitted by Jayne Johnson

Our Sept. meeting was on Sunday, Sept. 18. Meeting was called to order by last year's Vice President, Davin Shike. New officers elected:

President - Ella Bernhardt

Vice President - Peyton Martin

Secretary - Reagan Shike

Treasurer - Davin Shike

Reporter - Jayne Johnson

1st order of business was National 4-H Week. Will have a window display at Farmers State Bank in Alexis.

Handed out new member packets and family packets with info on new ZSuite system.

Discussed new projects: Pen Pals, Christmas gifts for our community

Jayne will get a list of when meetings are to the families.

Next meeting on October 16.

Talks this month: Peyton Jaminet on woodworking table project, Davin Shike on his Simmental steer and showing it, Reagan Shike on showing steers at the county and state fairs and Prime Beef Festival.

On Sunday Oct. 16, the meeting was called to order by Pres. Ella Bernhardt. Pledges led by Peyton Jaminet. Roll Call: 14 members - 2 leaders - 10 parents.

Treasurer report and Secretary minutes by Peyton Martin.

New members Lindsey, Blair, & Porter Burns; Easton Murdock; Lily Grobosky.

The club placed 2nd in the National 4-H window display contest. A thank you was signed and will be sent to FSB. We talked about the new enrollment system. ZSuite is open and ready for all. Upcoming projects: bake sale on Dec. 3 at Alexis Christmas Walk; will make ornaments to hand out to the community at the next meeting. Decided to help two young United students with a "Thinking of You" basket. Next meeting will be Nov 20th at 4 p.m. at the Community Center. Talks were given by Hunter Brundage - bee box and Ella Bernhardt - photography. Servers were the Jaminets and Brundages.

The Stark County Century Clovers celebrated National 4-H Week by serving their community. They spent a day doing brush cleanup at the Osceola Grove Cemetery where member Kaden Wall and friend of 4-H Steve Loudenburg are buried. They delivered harvest snack baskets to Rumbold & Kuhn, River Valley and Big River elevators. A group of youth also took treats to the

residents of Courtyard Estates in Bradford. Great job to all youth who participated in such wonderful service projects.





NEWS & notes

Club Information

State Events

Junior Livestock Conference - January 14-15, 2023
Open to youth in grades 7-9th grades. Held in Decatur.

Legislative Connection - Two dates will be selected between March & May 2023. Any youth who is trained in Speaking for IL 4-H will be invited to attend.

State Public Speaking Contest - April 29, 2023 (tentative)

State Robotics Competition - May 13, 2023

Illini Summer Academies - June 25-29
Held at the University of Illinois. Open to youth who have completed 9-11th grades. Graduating 8th graders and graduating seniors are no longer eligible to attend.

AWARDS

Sustaining the Future Award - Due January 9

Former LCP award. Sponsored by Farm Bureau. Open to youth 17-19. Winners get to attend the Farm Bureau Premier 20 Conference.

Ethics Trainings

The animal ethics trainings are still required. There are two different trainings, please follow the rules for the one that fits which type of animal you show. If you plan to show animals in both categories, you are required to complete both trainings.

QAEC - for cats, dogs, horses, poultry & rabbits.
This training is only required ONCE per 4-H career. It is free and can be accessed here:

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

YQCA - for cattle, goats, sheep & swine
This training is required once per YEAR. It is \$12 to complete online at yqcaprogram.org. Remember that this is a new website as of last spring.

Congratulations!

A big round of applause goes out to Jacob Nusz, from Stark County, for winning the Compound Archery competition at the State Archery Shoot for the 2nd year in a row.

How to Order Project Manuals

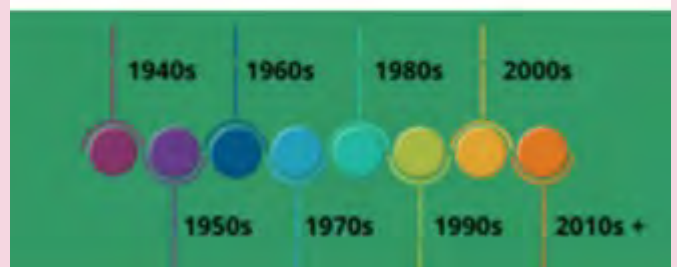
Project manuals are no longer ordered through the Extension Office. Instead, there is a new Illinois website hosted by Shop 4-H that houses all the books for individual order. That site should also link to project manuals that are available in online form.

New year packets contain a Project Selection form that lists all manuals and the prices in Shop 4-H at the time of printing. The highlighted projects denote those that require a manual to fulfill fair exhibit requirements. It also contains links to manuals that are available via download.

This is the link to order manuals:

<https://shop4-h.org/collections/illinois-virtual-pop-up-shop>

4-H By the Decades



Participate in reunions to be held by the 4-H Decades. Find dates and register for the events by heading here:

<https://go.illinois.edu/4hbythedecades>.

I MADE THAT!

Winter Wellness

AND HOLIDAY TREATS

This December, learn ways to help keep you and your family healthy by staying active, making healthy food choices, and spending quality time together. Make the most out of the holiday season by practicing the healthy habits you've learned this past year and add a few extra into the mix with the 12 Days of Wellness activities included in the December booklet. Begin by heading outdoors for a winter scavenger hunt, then warm up inside with one of the yummy holiday treats or another fun activity.

EACH KIT IS \$5 AND INCLUDES:

- DECEMBER "I MADE THAT!" BOOKLET
- 12 DAYS OF WELLNESS ACTIVITIES
- HOLIDAY RECIPES
- SELECT INGREDIENTS FOR YOUR RECIPES
- WINTER SCAVENGER HUNT AND MORE!

**REGISTER FOR YOUR KIT AT
GO.ILLINOIS.EDU/IMADETHATDECEMBER**

**KITS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP BEGINNING DECEMBER 5 AT
ONE OF OUR EXTENSION OFFICES IN MILAN, VIOLA, OR GALVA, IL.**



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Scribbles and Scrawl

Greetings,

Thank you all for making our new year/National 4-H Week so fun this October. We appreciate all your patience with the switchover to ZSuite - and we hope the enrollment process will be smooth. We are working on a slate of project workshops to get us through the winter months. Information on those will be coming as we get details finalized.

We wish you all a happy Thanksgiving. We are thankful for all of you!



Jennifer, Teresa, Tracy, & McCala

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