Upcoming Events

October

15 | Livestock Judging Practice Begins **17** | Clay Workshop **22** | Livestock Judging Practice **23** | Youth Farm Meeting **29** | Auction Committee Meeting **Tuesdays & Thursdays** | Learning Garden Workdays

November

1 | Dairy SPIN Club 5 | Livestock Judging Practice 6 | Historical Reenactment SPIN Club Meeting 7 | Federation Meeting 8 | Livestock Judging Contest 9 | State Skillathon Day 12 | Leader's Meeting 28-12/2 | Office Closed Tuesdays & Thursdays | Learning Garden Workdays

December

<u>1</u> | Fashion Week SPIN Club Meeting <u>5</u> | Federation <u>6</u> | Dairy SPIN Club <u>6</u> | Parent's Night Out <u>11</u> | Historical Reenactment SPIN Club <u>12</u> | Youth Farm Meeting <u>24-1/2</u> | Office Closed

January

<u>3</u> | Dairy SPIN Club Meeting <u>9</u> | Federation <u>11</u> | Scrapbooking Workshop <u>15</u> | Historical Reenactment SPIN Club

Welcome New Members!

Peoria Clovers Cloverbuds Mabel Monkemeyer



The 4-H Fair will be held July 9-11, 2025 at Exposition Gardens. We are really looking forward to the fair this year and hope you are too!

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Happy Fall!

I hope you are having a lovely season! It has been an absolutely perfect fall in my eyes! It was so great to see you all at the fairs this year, it was truly the most wonderful time of the year! We had a lot of fun, and I am already looking forward to next year! Don't forget to sign up in ZSuite so that you won't miss any updates! I apologize for the delay in this newsletter, but as you will find out, it is packed FULL of information! Hope you have a great new 4-H year!



Congratulations Fred & Miriam

Peoria County 4-H is proud to nominate Fred and Miriam Rosenbohm as our Hall of Fame Nominees for 2024! Fred is a life-time 4-H'er that started his 4-H career with the Neighbor Kids. After completing his 4-H career as a member, he quickly transitioned into being the Dairy Superintendent. He then became the leader of the Neighbor Kids 4-H Club. This club, in recent years, has been able to allow many Peoria County 4-H members the opportunity to explore the dairy industry, and even to show Dairy cattle! Miriam married into the 4-H program, and started her own journey with 4-H as well. She became the Regional Coordinator for the 4-H International Exchange Program, moving up to the state level where she remained for 30 years! Fred and Miriam believe in what 4-H has to offer, and the opportunities that it provides to youth and adults. They are exceptional examples of what 4-H leaders should be, and we are so thankful to have them in Peoria County! Congratulations to Fred and Miriam!

Who wants a DISCOUNT !?!

We have loved providing you the ZSuite discount SO MUCH that we are going to do it again! But THIS TIME, instead of getting \$5 off, you will get \$10 off if you enroll in ZSuite by midnight on Saturday, November 30th! Enroll here: https://4h.zsuite.org/ Please contact the office if you need assistance enrolling!

Congratulations New Alumni!

A big congratulations to our newest 4-H alumni, Gabe Herrmann, Annemarie Litwiller, Steven Ohlson, and Slone Windish! You've grown into inspiring young adults, and we're so proud of your accomplishments. Best of luck in all your future endeavors, whether you're heading off to college, starting a career, or exploring new opportunities. Stay connected to the 4-H family as alumni!

Two HUGE Thank yous!

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank a few awesome groups of people!

Raber Packing Co. donated the food at the auction for us to eat in Memory of Caroll Wetterauer.

Princeville FFA donated the backdrop! Please feel free to send each of these amazing donors a Thank you note!

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Awards CelebrationS

The awards celebration will look a little different this year! I am planning on bringing them to YOU! We will be celebrating at all of you club meetings through the fall and the winter! Make sure to apply for the award applications!

Save the Date!

Join us for Clover Clinic on February 15, 2025 at Illinois Central College! This annual event offers a variety of workshops for 4-H members to learn new skills, explore project areas, and get handson experience. From crafting to animal science, there's something for everyone. Registration opens soon, so don't miss out on this fun and educational opportunity!

Livestock Day

Livestock Day 2025 will be held at Raber Packing Co. in Peoria again this year! It will be held on President's day, February 17, 2025. You will fulfill your requirement to take YQCA, as well as learn about everything livestock! I heard that there will also be some really good food, and probably some decent cupcakes too! Be looking for future emails with the sign up!

Illinois Extension

In our four-county Extension unit, a team works together to provide 4-H programming. Each county has an individual 4-H program plus we all work together on unit-wide events and program planning.

Krista Gray

4-H Program Coordinator, Fulton County **Rachel VanCleve**

4-H Program Coordinator, Fulton County Joli Pierson

4-H Program Coordinator, Mason County **Kristi Smith**

4-H Program Coordinator, Peoria County Lynda Sharp-Lower

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Congratulations to our State Fair Delegates!

Congratulations to all of our State Fair Delegates!!

This is a list of participants from Peoria County that took their project to the State Fair!

Tristan Baer - Open Source Computer Science RESERVE

Wyatt Blasa - Welding Hayden Church - Clay Trey Ehnle - Electricity 3 Jack Ehnle - Entomology 1 **RESERVE** Wren Hellige - Chalk/Carbon/Pigment-Div A Kynzie Johnson - Chalk/Carbon/Pigment Div B Emmy Joos - 4-H Cooking 201 Biscuits Ellie Joos - Herb Display RESERVE Henry Manzke - Beekeeping 2 INSPIRE AWARD Aleah Martin - 4-H Cooking 301 Tea Ring Kinley Martin - Child Development Serenity Martin - Creative Writing Cailyn Martin - Pebble Pups 1 CHAMPION Sebastian Mattern - Passport to the World-Indiv Solomon Mattern - Animal Science 1 Ashlynn McFarland - Photo Editing **RESERVE** Finley Monkemeyer - 4-H Cooking 101 Cookies RESERVE Caitlin Murphy - Computer-Generated Art CHAMPION Callie Plumer - Pebble Pups 2 **Elizabeth Price - Shooting Sports Archery INSPIRE AWARD** James Relaford - Corn Kevin Relaford - Corn Zachary Relaford - Corn Faith Relaford - VA Quilting - You Can Quilt Anna Salverson - Scrapbooking-Intermediate Luke Schallhorn - Natural Resources 2 INSPIRE

AWARD

Audrey Shane - Chalk/Carbon/Pigment-Div A **INSPIRE AWARD**

Jade Stoller - Clothing 1-Sewn Clothing CHAMPION

Tucker Strack - VA Plastic Block Art Annabell Strack - Animal Science 1 Jonathan Wilcox - Aerospace Display CHAMPION

Avigail Yess - Leather Kayna Yess - VA Quilting - You Can Quilt

Esther Young - 4-H Cooking 101 Coffeecake **INSPIRE AWARD**

Brenna Young - Food Preservation Combination Jacob Young - Wood Ruth Ziegler - Photography 2 Emma Ziegler – Fiber CHAMPION Grace Ziegler - Heritage Arts **RESERVE** Maria Ziegler - Health 3 CHAMPION

SPIN Club Excitement!

The **Dairy SPIN Club**'s next meeting is Friday, November 1 at Linden Hill Farm! Please join us if you would like to show Dairy Cattle!

The Historical Reenactment SPIN Club will

begin meeting on November 6th at 6 PM! Join our Historical Reenactment SPIN Club for a hands-on journey through the past! Participants will explore various aspects of history, from family heritage to food, games, and costumes. Each session focuses on a different element of historical reenactment: designing and creating costumes, preparing period-specific dishes, playing traditional games, and learning the art of performance. Participants will trace their family history, craft their own historical garments, and bring the past to life through the art of reenactment. The club culminates in a Night at the Museum – Walk through History, where participants showcase their work in a celebration of history and culture. You are welcome to wear a costume to the first meeting if you have one! Fill out this form to join: https://forms.gle/6kbMUnM2nzXM4uMt7

Tractor and Electricity SPIN Club

In March, the Tractor and Electricity SPIN Club will start up! Join this club to learn the basics about Small Engines and Tractors. All meetings will be held at the Princeville Heritage Museum! Thank you to them for hosting our SPIN Clubs! If you are interested in this club, please fill out this form: https://forms.gle/EervBPN2XbAgDVYMA

Fashion Week SPIN Club

Join the Peoria Fashion Week SPIN Club, where creativity meets the runway! This exciting program is designed for aspiring designers, models, and fashion enthusiasts who want to experience the thrill of preparing for Peoria Fashion Week! This club will offer a supportive environment to turn your fashion dreams into reality! You will be able to make your own outfit for the show! The first meeting of the Fashion Week SPIN Club will be Sunday, December 1st at 3 PM at Exposition Gardens in the Snack Bar Area! Let me know you're interested here: https://forms.gle/cLAZWLfNHKKUgk8i7

Livestock Judging Practices

Livestock Judging will resume October 15 and will go through January. We have a lot of fun, and even learn some! Contact Kristi if you would like to join! We meet on Tuesday Nights at 5 PM!

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Peoria County 4-H Fair Success!

SCIENCE

Animal Science I - Solomon Mattern Veterinary Science - Felicity Ziegler

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & GLOBAL AWARENESS

Intercultural - Sebastian Mattern Intercultural - Club Project - Jubilee Patriots Service Learning - Bernadette Mattern

INTERIOR DESIGN

Design Decisions - Addison Church

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT Health - Maria Ziegler

Child Development - Kinley Martin

CLOTHING & TEXTILES

Clothing 1 - FUNdamentals - Jade Stoller Clothing 2 - Simply Sewing - Ivory Herrmann Clothing 3 - A Stitch Further - Audrey Shane Shopping In Style Beginning - Ellie Joos

COMMUNICATIONS

Photography I - Ivory Herrmann Photography II - Anna Salverson Photography III - Alexa Salverson Photo Editing - Kinley Martin Photography Overall - Ashlynn McFarland Poetry - Emma Ziegler Video/ Filmmaking - Sebastian Mattern **Public Presentations - Alaythea Yess Creative Writing - Serenity Martin**

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Reading - Anna Salverson **Collectibles - James Relaford** Family Heritage - Sebastain Mattern

PLANTS & SOILS

Corn - Kevin Relaford

FLORICULTURE

Floriculture A - Henry Manzke Floriculture B - Imri Herrmann Floriculture C - Ellie Joos Floriculture D - Serenity Martin Floriculture Display - Ellie Joos

VEGETABLES, HERBS & FRUITS

Herb Display - Ellie Joos Vegetable/ Fruit Market Display - Shiloh Herrmann Vegetable Plate - Asher Herrmann **FOODS & NUTRITION** 4-H Cooking 101 - Esther Young 4-H Cooking 201 - Brenna Young 4-H Cooking 301 - Aleah Martin 4-H Cooking 401 - Anna Salverson Food Preservation - Imri Herrmann Food Science - Dalton Ehnle Candy Making - James Relaford Candy Making Beginner Gift - Zachary Relaford Candy Making Advanced Gift - James Relaford Food Decorating - Serenity Martin

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NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT

Natural Resources (I, II, & III) - Shiloh Herrmann Outdoor Adventures 1-3 - Jared Kieser Sport Fishing (I, II, & III) - Sebastian Mattern Entomology (All Categories) - Jack Ehnle Forestry (All Categories) - Asher Herrmann Geology (All Categories) - Callie Plumer Bee Keeping (All Categories) - Henry Manzke Shooting Sports (All Categories) - Sebastian Mattern

VISUAL ARTS

Paper - Bethany Stahl Fiber - Emma Ziegler Clay - Hayden Church Wood - Jacob Young Champion Chalk/ Carbon/ Pigment (All Categories) - Audrey Shane Reserve Chalk/ Carbon/ Pigment (All Categories) - Shiloh Herrmann Glass/ Plastic - Ashlynn McFarland Metal - Gabe Herrmann Nature - Zachary Relaford Three Dimensional Design/ Mixed Media - Derrek Martin Heritage Arts - Grace Ziegler Computer Generated Art - Caitlin Murphy Scrapbooking (All Categories) - Anna Salverson **Quilting (All Categories) - Emma Ziegler** Leather (All Categories) - Avigail Yess

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Livestock Class Champions

BEEF

Bucket Calf - Ryleigh Kelton

Champion Registered Heifer - Caleb Schlipf Reserve Champion Registered Heifer - Brynlee Hodel

Champion Crossbred Heifer - Cailyn Martin Grand Champion Heifer Overall - Caleb Schlipf Reserve Grand Champion Heifer Overall - Brynlee Hodel

Champion Registered Steer- Brynlee Hodel **Reserve Champion Registered Steer - Brady** Martin

Grand Champion Steer Overall - Brynlee Hodel Reserve Grand Champion Steer Overall - Brady Martin

Top Rate of Gain - Brady Martin

Novice Beef Showmanship - Cailyn Martin Junior Beef Showmanship - Kinley Martin Senior Beef Showmanship - Caleb Schlipf Challenge Beef Showmanship - Caleb Schlipf

SHOWMANSHIP CONTESTS

Grand Champion 4-H Master Showman - Slone Windish

Reserve Champion 4-H Master Showman - Caleb Schlipf

Grand Champion 4-H Showmanship Adventure -Jacob Gilles

Reserve Champion 4-H Showmanship Adventure - Derrek Martin

CAT

Best Of Show – Household - Alice Hays Best of Show Cat Overall - Annemarie Litwiller Champion Cat Costume - Hayden Church Champion Cat Showmanship - Junior - Alice Hays

Champion Cat Showmanship - Senior -Annemarie Litwiller

Champion Cat Carrier - Faith Relaford

Champion Cat Talent - Alice Hays RABBIT

Grand Champion Doe - Hayden Church Grand Champion Buck - Callie Plumer Grand Champion 4 Class - Hayden Church Grand Champion 6 Class - Hayden Church Best Of Show Rabbit - Hayden Church Champion Meat Pen - Callie Plumer Junior Rabbit Showmanship - Ellie Joos Senior Rabbit Showmanship - Emma Slayton Challenge Rabbit Showmanship - Emma Slayton Champion Pet Rabbit - Kinley Martin Champion Rabbit Costume - Kinley Martin

SWINE

Champion Purebred Gilt - Raelynn Blunier Reserve Champion Purebred Gilt - Raelynn Blunier

Champion Crossbred Gilt - Corbin Weaver Reserve Champion Crossbred Gilt - Cane Weaver Grand Champion Gilt Overall Sponsored by: State Bank of Toulon - Corbin Weaver Reserve Grand Champion Gilt Overall - Raelynn Blunier

Grand Champion Barrow Overall - Slone Windish Reserve Grand Champion Barrow Overall -**Raelynn Blunier**

Youth Swine Showmanship - Cane Weaver Challenge Swine Showmanship - Slone Windish



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GOAT

Champion Dairy Doe - Wren Hellige Champion Dairy Wether - Wren Hellige Champion Dairy Buck - Wren Hellige Grand Champion Doe - Wren Hellige Reserve Champion Doe - Marie Theobald Grand Champion Wether - Wren Hellige Reserve Champion Buck - Wren Hellige Reserve Champion Buck - Marie Theobald Senior Showmanship - Marie Theobald Challenge Showmanship - Marie Theobald

DAIRY

Grand Champion Brown Swiss - Reagan Walsh Grand Champion Jersey Cow - Rylie Walsh Grand Campion Jersey Heifer - Rylie Walsh Grand Champion Female - Rylie Walsh Reserve Grand Champion Female - Reagan Walsh Grand Champion Heifer - Rylie Walsh Best Udder - Rylie Walsh Best Dam & Daughter - Rylie Walsh Best Produce of Dam - Ashlynn McFarland Best Three Female - Rylie Walsh Junior Dairy Showmanship - Ty McFarland Senior Dairy Showmanship - Rylie Walsh Challenge Dairy Showmanship - Rylie Walsh

Grand Champion Dog Care & Grooming - Alaythea Yess

Junior Dog Showmanship - Henry Manzke Senior Dog Showmanship - Addison Church Grand Champion Beginner Novice I - Addilyn Bell

Grand Champion Beginner Novice II - Imri Herrmann

Grand Champion Rally - Alaythea Yess Grand Champion Rally Novice - Alaythea Yess Grand Champion Rally Intermediate - Aleah Martin

POULTRY

Champion Standard Breed Pullet - Henry Manzke Champion Standard Breed Cockerel - Henry Manzke

Champion Standard Breed Trio - Henry Manzke Champion Bantam Pullet - Gena Unsicker Champion Bantam Cockerel - Gena Unsicker Champion Bantam Trio - Gena Unsicker Champion All Other Fowl - Kevin Relaford Champion Market Pen - Henry Manzke Grand Champion Pullet - Gena Unsicker Grand Champion Cockerel - Gena Unsicker Grand Champion Trio - Gena Unsicker Grand Champion Production Bird - Henry Manzke

Junior Poultry Showmanship - Henry Manzke Senior Poultry Showmanship - Emma Slayton Challenge Poultry Showmanship - Jacob Gilles Champion Dozen Eggs - Jacob Gilles

SHEEP

Grand Champion Ewe Lamb - Colson Cowser Grand Champion Ram Lamb - Emma Ziegler Grand Champion Market Lamb - Reagan Walsh Grand Champion Pair of Ram & Ewe - Emma Ziegler

Rookie of the Year - Felicity Ziegler Junior Sheep Showmanship - Kendall Cowser Senior Sheep Showmanship - Rylie Walsh Challenge Sheep Showmanship - Kendall Cowser Grand Champion Fleece - Callie Plumer

HORSE

Pony Halter - MaKendra Kreichgauer Halter – Grade - Caitlin Murphy Halter - Stock Type Gelding - Aleah Martin Junior Showmanship - Aleah Martin Senior Showmanship - Caitlin Murphy Challenge Showmanship - Caitlin Murphy Costume - Aleah Martin Walk Trot - Aleah Martin Walk Trot Equitation - Aleah Martin Western Pleasure Stock Type - Senior - Caitlin Murphy Wester Pleasure Society Type - Pony - MaKendra Kreichgauer Western Horsemanship - Pony - MaKendra Kreichgauer Western Horsemanship - Senior - Caitlin Murphy Walk Trot Trail - Aleah Martin Junior Trail - MaKendra Kreichgauer Senior Trail - Caitlin Murphy Hunter Hack - Audrey Shane Hunter Over Fences - Audrey Shane **Equitation Over Fences - Audrey Shane** English Pleasure Stock Type - Pony - Audrey Shane English Pleasure Society Type - Pony - MaKendra Kreichgauer English Equitation - Pony - MaKendra Kreichgauer Trot Barrels - Audrey Shane Junior Barrels - MaKendra Kreichgauer Senior Barrels - Caitlin Murphy **Trot Flags - Audrey Shane** Junior Flags - MaKendra Kreichgauer Senior Flags - Caitlin Murphy Trot Poles - Audrey Shane Junior Poles - MaKendra Kreichgauer Senior Poles - Caitlin Murphy

Trophy Thank you Reminder

Remember to send a thank you note to the generous donors who provided trophies and awards for this year's fair. It's important to show our appreciation for their support of the 4-H community. If you need help with contact information, please reach out to the office.

THANK YOU TROPHY SPONSORS!

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We want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support as trophy sponsors. Your contribution not only rewards the hard work and dedication of our participants but also inspires them to continue striving for excellence.

These awards represent more than just success in competitions—they symbolize the values of perseverance, leadership, and learning that 4-H instills in every young person. By supporting these efforts, you help foster a sense of accomplishment and pride that motivates our members to reach new heights!

Want a hardcopy of the newsletter?

Email Kristi at <u>kristis2@illinois.edu</u>

Congratulations to our State Fair Junior Livestock Exhibitors!

Raelynn Blunier | Edelstein Eager Beavers:

Hampshire Gilt | 6 | 5 LOL Spotted Gilt | 7 | 5 LOL

Alyvia Cowser | Laura Winners

White Faced Cross Market Lamb |1 | Champion White-Faced Cross Market Lamb Crossbred Market Lamb | 2

Kendall Cowser | Laura Winners

Southdown Market Lamb | 1 Reserve Champion Junior Showman

Jacob Gilles | Elmwood All-Stars

All English Breeds – Pullet | 4 Poultry Dozen Eggs – Brown | 2 Reserve Champion Senior Showman Reserve Supreme Champion Showman

Brynlee Hodel | Laura Winners

Simmental Steer | 1

MaKendra Kreichgauer | Midnight Riders

Speed Barrel Race | 3 Speed Pole Bending | 5 Hunter Dressage Pony | 1 Showmanship Hunter | 5 Hunter Division 1 Champion Hunter Equitation over Fences | 1 Hunter On the Flat | 6 Hunter Pony Conformation | 8 Hunter Hack | 1 Hunter Over Fences | 2 Hunter Under Saddle | 6

Henry Manzke | Jubilee Patriots

All Other Standard Breed/ Continental Cockerel | 5

All Other Standard Breed/ Continental Pullet | 5 Old English and American Game Cockerel | 3 Old English and American Game Pullet | 3

Aleah Martin | Edelstein Eager Beavers

Polled Hereford Heifer | 3 | 2 LOL

Brady Martin | Edelstein Eager Beavers Angus Steer | 3 | 3 LOL

Kinley Martin | Edelstein Eager Beavers Simmental Heifer | 8

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Ashlynn McFarland | Laura Winners Jersey Heifer | 10 | 7 LOL

Brinnley McFarland | Laura Winners Jersey Heifer | 11 | 10 LOL

Ty McFarland | Laura Winners Jersey Heifer | 9 | 8 LOL

Callie Plumer | Jubilee Patriots

Spotted Barrow | 5 | 5 LOL All Asiatic Breeds – Cockerel | 1 All Asiatic Breeds - Pullet | 4 Feather Legged, All Other Varieties – Cockerel | 3 Feather Legged, All Other Varieties - Pullet | 3 Duck – Male | 2 Duck - Female | 4 Market Pen: Miscellaneous | 1 Reserve Grand Champion Market Meat Pen Four Class AOB Senior Buck | 6 Four Class AOB Junior Buck | 4 Four Class AOB Junior Doe | 13 Six Class AOB Senior Doe | 4 Best of Opposite Sex Six Class AOB Intermediate Buck | 1 Six Class AOB Intermediate Doe | 4 Six Class AOB Junior Buck | 2 Six Class AOB Junior Buck | 4 Six Class AOB Junior Doe | 2 Six Class AOB Junior Doe | 5 Meat Pen - AOB | 14 Single Fryer - AOB | 14

Brinae Rice | Laura Winners

Crossbred Market Lamb | 8

Caleb Schlipf | Elmwood All-Stars

Angus Heifer | 4 Crossbred Barrow | 3

Colton Schlipf | Elmwood All-Stars

Chester White Barrow | 7 | 5 LOL Crossbred Barrow | 4

Emma Slayton | Jubilee Patriots

All English Breeds Cockerel | 2 All English Breeds Pullet | 3 Feather Legged, Cochin Cockerel | 2 Feather Legged, Cochin Pullet | 5 Duck – Male | 1 Duck – Female | 3 Four Class AOB Junior Buck | 1 *Best of Opposite Sex* Four Class AOB Junior Buck | 7 Six Class AOB Senior Doe | 5 Six Class AOB Intermediate Buck | 2 Six Class AOB Intermediate Doe | 3

Marie Theobald | Laura Winners

Nubian Intermediate Kid | 6 | 6 LOL Nubian Milking Doe 2-4 Years | 8 Nubian Milking Doe 2-4 Years | 9 Nubian Milking Doe 4 years and older | 1 | 1 LOL Dairy Goat Showmanship – Senior | 7

Reagan Walsh | Laura Winners

Jersey Heifer | 2 | 2 LOL Natural Market Lamb | 4

Rylie Walsh | Laura Winners

Jersey Cow | 2 | 1 LOL Jersey Dam & Daughter | 2 Jersey Best Three Females | 6 White Face Cross Market Lamb | 1 Reserve Champion White-Faced Cross Market Lamb

Cane Weaver | Laura Winners

Chester White Barrow | 5 | 4 LOL Duroc Gilt | 8 | 7 LOL Poland China Gilt | 1 | 1 LOL

Corbin Weaver | Laura Winners

Poland China Barrow | 4 | 2 LOL Chester White Gilt | 4 | 3 LOL Crossbred Gilt | 3

Slone Windish | Elmwood All-Stars

Crossbred | Barrow | 2 Crossbred Barrow | 4 Crossbred Gilt | 2

THANK YOU

There aren't enough thank yous in the world to thank each and every one of you that helped make the 4-H Fair a success! I appreciate you so so so much! If you serve on a committee, or as a superintendent, or helped me with special projects, just know that you are so appreciated!

Throwdown

We had a very successful Throwdown in 2024! Congratulations to all who were able to attend! Caleb Schlipf was called back in cattle showmanship with his Heifer. Corbin Weaver drove the Reserve overall Breeding Gilt. Reagan Walsh had the Bronze Market Lamb. Slone Windish drove the Reserve overall Market Barrow, and was also named the Reserve Champion Swine Showman!

Auction Committee Meeting

The next Auction Committee Meeting will be Tuesday, October 29 at 7 PM at the Kickapoo Township Hall.

Congratulations Graduates

We want to extend a warm congratulations to all of our 4-H graduates! Your hard work, leadership, and commitment have made a lasting impact. The Class of 2024 included: Addison Church, Ahnika Collins, Wren Hellige, Serenity Martin, Steven Ohlson, Vaishali Padarthy, Alyssa Piper, Brinae Rice, Caleb Schlipf, Colton Schlipf, Ashlyn Slayton, Sulaiman Syed, and Rachel Weech Good luck in your future pursuits, whether you're continuing your education, joining the workforce, or starting a new adventure.

Congratulations to the 4-H Spirit Award Winners!

Thank you to all the clubs that participated in this year's Spirit Displays! Your creativity and enthusiasm were on full display. You brought the 4-H spirit to life. Congratulations to the winning clubs: The Jubilee Patriots combined with the Elmwood All-Stars! They also won the ice cream party for their club through the food drive!

Thank you!

The Peoria County 4-H Auction Committee would like to thank the following supporters of the 2024 Auction: American Online Giving | Foundation | Exposition Gardens | Harold Pauli Memorials | Harold Ludolph | Heather Windish | Holly Megan | In Honor of Dick & Colleen Burns 50th | Joe Orwig | Karen Megan | Kate Colgan | Mary Thompson | Princeville FFA Chapter | Raber's | State Bank of Toulon | Syngenta – Dennis Headley

Thank you!

The Peoria County 4-H Auction Committee would like to thank the following Buyers of the 2024 Auction: Iliff Veterinary & Consulting | Joash Martin | The Country Shop LLC | Ben Herrmann | Howard Herrmann | Brittney Burns | Lozier Oil Company, Inc. | Larry Korth | Princeville FFA Chapter | Nutrien – Princeville | Jubilee Cafe | Akron Services, Inc. | Colleen Callahan | Country Financial – Ryan Williams | Peoria County Corn & Soy Promoters | Peoria County Young Leaders It is safe to say that it was a very successful auction! I know the kids appreciate this opportunity! I would like to thank the Peoria County 4-H Auction Committee for all of the hard work that goes into this event! Thank you!

Thinking Ahead

Next year for the auction, Clubs will be asked to provide one older kid that is not involved in the auction to help with child care during the auction. We will be providing younger kids with activities during the auction!

Congratulations Laura!

Congratulations to Laura Gingrich on receiving a scholarship from the Throwdown! Laura received the biggest scholarship offered! Laura became a 4-H Alumni in 2023, and is staying involved! We also want to thank her for bringing her goats so that 4-H members could participate in the Showmanship Adventure! We would also like to congratulate Laura and her husband Garrett on their new marriage! Congratulations Laura!

Congratulations Kate!

Congratulations to Kate Colgan, this year's Jason Coulter Memorial 4-H scholarship winner! Kate's dedication, hard work, and leadership have earned her this well-deserved recognition. We are excited to see what the future holds for her as she continues to pursue her goals! This scholarship is provided by the Peoria County 4-H Auction Committee! Next year, be looking for the applications! Please apply, we would love to award more scholarships in the future!

Congratulations to the Share the Fun Participants!

"Share the Fun" was a hit this year! Clubs showcased their talents with performances that left the audience smiling. Thank you to all the participants for bringing energy and joy to this beloved 4-H tradition.

Welcome to 4-H Cloverbud Grads!

We are proud to recognize our Cloverbud graduates for their growth and participation in 4-H! The 2023-2024 Cloverbud Graduates are: Gracie Lyon, Claire Manzke, Henry Moore, Dollar Perham, Benjamin Relaford, Daniel Speichinger, Carter Stoller, and Max Torres-Ravelo! You've taken your first steps in the world of 4-H, and we're excited to see what you'll accomplish as you continue your journey. Keep up the great work!

Leader's Meeting

The next Leader's Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12 at the University of Illinois Extension Office in Peoria. This is an excellent opportunity for club leaders to connect, share updates, and discuss upcoming events. We'll be covering important topics such as the annual auction, upcoming club projects, and new changes to 4-H policies. Your attendance is highly encouraged as we prepare for another great year!

Thank you Seneca Foods!

Thank you to Derrek and Ben Martin for organizing the Tractor for the Tractor Driving contest! We definitely could not have accomplished this event without either of you! Thank you Seneca Foods for providing the Tractor!

Club Project Idea!

Federation is proposing the idea of doing another International Night! If you would like to participate in this fun event that we used to do a lot, please contact Kristi and let her know! Federation has selected Italy for their Passport to the World Club Project! We hope your clubs pick a country or continent too!

Attendance Reminder

According to the Illinois 4-H Management Handbook, "A youth who enrolls in a 4-H Club experience must attend at least one meeting to be called a 4-H club member. Youth that do not comply are not eligible to take part in 4-H exhibitions, receive 4-H premiums, or other 4-H awards and recognitions that are available to 4-H club members." With that being said, your leaders will be tracking your attendance. Please, if you would like to show at the 4-H fair, you need to attend at least 1 meeting. According to the same handbook, independent members must have an adult mentor to give guidance to the member's 4-H project work, and should be enrolled in ZSuite as a volunteer. I wanted to make sure that both of these rules are noted for this year. These are important rules that must be followed.

Holiday office Hours

As the holiday season approaches, please be aware of our adjusted office hours. The 4-H office will be closed from November 28th to December 1. Normal hours will resume on December 2. The office will also be closed December 24 through January 1. Normal Office hours will resume on January 2. If you have any pressing concerns or questions, please reach out to us before these dates, or send an email, and we will respond as soon as possible.

THANK YOU JUNIOR SUPERINTENDENTS!

We couldn't do it without you! A huge thank you to our Junior Superintendents for your hard work and leadership during the fair and throughout the year. Your commitment to helping things run smoothly is truly appreciated!

Project Spotlights

We are going to spend some time highlighting projects over the next year that didn't have any entries in this past year's fair! Consider doing one of these projects and trying something new!

July Project Spotlight

This month's project spotlight is Civic Engagement! Civic Engagement is a project that involves learning about yourself, your neighborhood, and how to be a good citizen! You create a display that showcases what you learn over the year! You can also do this project as a group project!

August Project Spotlight

In August, we're proud to feature Tractor Projects! In the Tractor project, you will learn safety, care and maintenance, and everything about tractors! This would also be a great year to join the Tractor SPIN Club hosted at the Princeville Heritage Museum!

September Project Spotlight

Our September Project Spotlight shines on Soybeans! Did you know that Illinois is the top state in Soybean production? If you already have a connection to farming, you could take fresh plants! If not, you could showcase your science or teaching skills and show off an experimental or educational project! Don't forget to keep crops records! We have those at the office!

October Project Spotlight

For October, we're highlighting Entrepreneurship – Be the E! Entrepreneurship is all about finding your passion in life, and turning it into business potential! If you have ever wanted to sell items on Etsy, be a social media influencer, or be a Small Business owner, this project is for YOU!

National 4-H Week

Thank you to all of you that participated in the National 4-H Week activities! We loved all of your window displays! Find out who won in the next edition of the Newsletter!

Showmanship Adventure

We successfully hosted the first ever Showmanship Adventure competition! Competitors showed poultry, rabbits and goats. Jacob Gilles won the first ever Champion Showmanship Adventure Belt Buckle. Derrek Martin received the banner for reserve! Way to go participants! We had 13 members compete in this competition! We hope to see you again next year!

Farm Bureau Update

Manager Update- Charlie Hensley It's the best time of year in Illinois and I hope everyone's harvest is off to a great start. You've probably already heard it a lot this harvest season but remember to be safe during this time of year. Farmers are on the road, and they want everyone to be safe.

Many of you already know, but for those of you who don't, I'd like to share a little about what Farm Bureau is. Farm Bureau is a membership organization that strives to promote agriculture throughout Peoria County. If you are interested in becoming a member of Peoria County Farm Bureau, we would love to have you join. Our office is located at 1716 N. University St in Peoria. Feel free to stop in!

Peoria County Farm Bureau offers several programs to members. During the summer we hold a couple fruit sales which include blueberries and peaches. Coming up in October we will have our citrus and nut sales. These are big hits for our members, and we hope that you take advantage of some of these excellent opportunities.

As someone who just moved to Peoria County, I can say that there are many opportunities that this county provides. Farm Bureau is one of those opportunities and a Farm Bureau membership goes a long way. I hope that everyone has an excellent harvest and if you have any questions about Farm Bureau, feel free to call our office!

Join Federation!

The next Federation meeting will be at the Mattern's House in November! Please join us for hot dogs and fun! The meeting will be Thursday, November 7th at 6 PM! We will have food and outdoor games! Bring a friend!



Master Showmanship

Congratulations to our Showmanship Competitors! All competitors showed swine, sheep and beef cattle. Slone Windish received the belt buckle for being the Champion Master Showman! He was able to compete at the State Fair as well! Caleb Schlipf went reserve and received a banner!

Kittens looking for a new Home!

Do you have room in your heart and home for a new furry friend? One adorable kitten is looking for a loving home! He has been raised in a caring 4-H environment, is well-socialized, and ready for adoption. The Martins also have a friendly grown Tom cat available as well! Contact Hannah for more details: 309-657-9763

Goats for Sale!

Wren Hellige is selling 5 of her goats, many of which showed at the fair this year. There are three does, one doeling, and one buckling. They would be perfect to show or would make great pets.

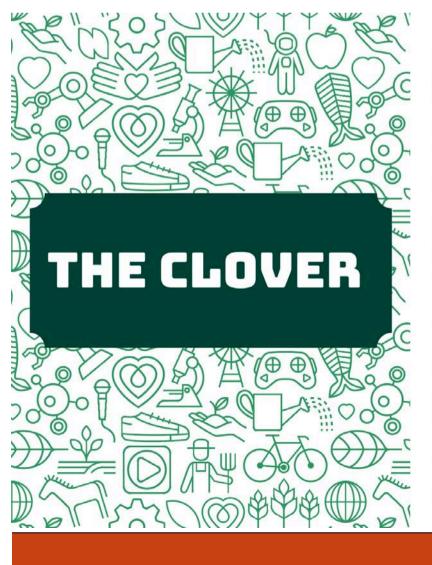
They will be discounted for 4-H families. If interested, please reach out to Wren at (309)-648-1118.





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Upcoming Peoria County 4-H **Events**

October

- 15 | Livestock Judging Practice
- 17 | Clay Workshop
- 22 | Livestock Judging Practice
- 23 | Youth Farm Meeting
- 29 | Auction Committee Meeting

Tuesdays & Thursdays | Learning Garden Workdays

November

- 1 | Dairy SPIN Club
- 5 | Livestock Judging Practice
- 6 | Historical Reenactment SPIN Club Meeting
- 7 | Federation Meeting
- 8 | Livestock Judging Contest
- 9 | State Skillathon Day
- 12 | Leader's Meeting
- 28-12/2 | Office Closed

December

- 1 | Fashion Week SPIN Club Meeting
- 5 | Federation
- 6 | Dairy SPIN Club
- 6 | Parent's Night Out
- 11 | Historical Reenactment SPIN Club
- 12 | Youth Farm Meeting
- 24-1/2 | Office Closed

January



3 | Dairy SPIN Club Meeting 9 | Federation 11 | Scrapbooking Workshop 15 | Historical Reenactment SPIN Club