



November 2020

# Peoria Clover News

University of Illinois Extension, Fulton-Mason-Peoria-Tazewell Unit

## Dear 4-H Families,

Happy Fall! Before we know it Cold weather and winter will be here. Take time this month to think of all the things you are thankful for as you prepare to celebrate the holiday season. We here at the Extension office are very thankful for our many wonderful 4-H Members, 4-H Leaders, and other 4-H Volunteers!

Be sure to read the rest of this newsletter as we have a lot of 4-H activities and events coming up such as, the 4-H Awards Program, and many really cool Spark Camp Workshops..

Sincerely,

Cathy Ludolph  
Extension Program Coordinator  
4-H Youth Development



**We invite you to join  
us at the 2020 Peoria  
County 4-H Awards Program**



**"We're *Rolling* with the *Challenges* for 4-H"**

Honoring Our Outstanding 4-H Members & Volunteers

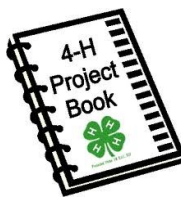
**"To Make the Best Better"**

Thursday, November 12, 2020 - 7 pm via zoom

*(The zoom link will be sent to all 4-H families the  
day of the event so be sure to check your e-mail)*

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# Local 4-H EVENTS



## Important information for ordering 4-H Project Books

The process of ordering 4-H manuals is different with the new 4-H Online.

1. Members must enroll/re-enroll at <https://il.4honline.com> and then submit for approval.
2. County staff receive enrollment and approve each member.
3. Once approved, you will receive an email saying you have been approved and there will be a link to request publications. Fill out this request form for what you would like to order. **However**, it also depends on how you pay the Program Fees, on this email.
  - A. If you pay the program fee with a credit card, you will receive the link to order publications.
  - B. If you select "Pay with Check", you will not receive this link for publications until we have payment in the office.
4. Some publications are only available as a download. You will receive a separate email with the link to the download. Some downloads are free, and some have a cost. **If the publication has a cost, contact the Extension Office before downloading.**

Members that enrolled early on would not have gotten this email. The publication ordering process was not set up until just recently. So, if you would like to order any publications, please contact the Extension Office either by phone or send Julann an email with what you would like to order at [jschiere@illinois.edu](mailto:jschiere@illinois.edu)  
Please call the Extension office at 685-3240 if you have any questions.

## Closed for the Holiday

The Peoria Extension office will be closed November 26 & 27 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Get the latest news on the Peoria  
County 4-H Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/peoriacounty4h>

### NOVEMBER

- 1 Deadline for IL. 4-H Scholarship applications
- 10 Federation Meeting, 6 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall
- 12 4-H Volunteer & Members Awards Program via zoom - 7:00 pm
- 14 Spark Camp - Sweet Kitchen Science 10 am
- 17 Spark Camp - Holiday Wreath 6:30 pm
- 21 Spark Camp - Slithery Snakes 10 am
- 23 Spark Camp - Winter Porch Arrangement 6:30 pm
- 30 Spark Camp - DIY Smart Phone Projector 6:30 pm

### DECEMBER

- 3 Spark Camp / Shooting Sports - Arrow Trajectory & Aiming 6:30 pm
- 5 Spark Camp - Electric Motor 1 pm
- 8 Federation Meeting, 6 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall
- 8 Spark Camp - Beg. Nature Pencil Sketching, Part 1 - 7 pm
- 12 Spark Camp - Nature Pencil Sketching, Part 7 pm
- 19 Spark Camp - Spice up your Artwork, 1 pm





## 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS FALL UPDATE

4-H shooting sports members age 11 and up are still eligible to register and participate in the virtual Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports 2020

### VIRTUAL SHOOT

Shoot! Disciplines offered include shotgun, archery, and rifle with scores entered online until the end of December.

Register at: <http://go.illinois.edu/20204Hregistration> and learn more at: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-virtual-shoot-fall-2020>  
Contact Curt Sinclair at [sinclair@illinois.edu](mailto:sinclair@illinois.edu) with any questions!

## Attention Newly Elected Secretary's & Treasurers

The 4-H Secretary and Treasurer Books are only available online and are available in a writable format. If you need a printed copy please let your leader know or call the Extension office and we will print a copy for you. The link for these resources is:

<https://extension.illinois.edu/global/club-resources>

## Beef Weigh-in & Tattooing

The 2021 date for the beef weigh-in and tattooing at the Wyoming Sale barn is not yet confirmed. Watch next month's newsletter for more information.

## Goats for Sale

The Hellige family has 4 boer goats for sale and looking for a good 4-H home. They have two adult does, approx. 4 and 2 years old. They are both ABGA registered with papers. There is a doeling and wether that are about seven months old, who are the kids of the four year old. They are both registered. Would like to sell them as a family unit or will sell separately. For more information please contact Janet Hellige at (309) 678-0188 or [dhellige@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dhellige@sbcglobal.net)



## 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 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!



COLLEGIATE 4-H

## JOIN COLLEGIATE 4-H AT U OF I

A great way to meet people at U of I is by joining C4-H, the registered student organization for 4-H alums attending University of Illinois. For more information, contact Brittney Muschetto at [uiuccollegiate4h@gmail.com](mailto:uiuccollegiate4h@gmail.com).

## Invite a friend to join 4-H

# Fall 4-H Spark Camps

Explore all the amazing things 4-H has to offer at **4-H Spark Camp**! Join us for any or all 10 individual and engaging sessions led by 4-H staff & volunteers. These interactive, hands-on sessions will cover a wide array of topics and will help bring young people together (virtually) to learn new skills and discover new passions.

4-H Spark Camp is free and open to all young people, but is most appropriate for elementary and middle school youth. All sessions will be held on Zoom and connection details will be emailed out to those registered. Most sessions also include a supply kit that can be picked up at your local Extension office a few days prior to the session. Register at: [go.illinois.edu/4-HSparkCamp](https://go.illinois.edu/4-HSparkCamp)

Session descriptions are below.

## Sweet Kitchen Science – Sat, Nov 14 at 10am

- Registration deadline – Nov 7
- Supply Kit Pick Up at your local Extension office – Nov 10 – 13

Are you interested in the science behind food? Have you ever wanted to learn how to make homemade candies? Well, Sweet Kitchen Science is the workshop for you! Come explore the science behind homemade candy, while whipping up a batch of fudge. And the best part, our recipe uses the microwave, so no stove needed. Just think of what awesome gifts you will be able to make for your family and friends after this class!

## Holiday Wreath – Tues, Nov 17 at 6:30pm

- Registration deadline – Nov 7
- Supply Kit Pick Up at your local Extension office – Nov 10 – 17

Deck the halls with holiday spirit! In this fun, hands-on workshop you will be making a beautiful decorative ribbon wreath for the Winter holidays. The wreath can be used as a decoration for your home or as a gift. Plus, it could be exhibited as a visual arts fiber project at next year's 4-H fair.

## Slithery Snakes – Sat, Nov 21 at 10am

- Registration deadline – Nov 19
- No supply kit

Do you like snakes? A college biology professor will show you her two snakes, demonstrate how they shed, maybe show a snake skeleton or model, and a video of a snake feeding. Learn about types of snakes in Illinois and some differences between venomous and nonvenomous species.

## Winter Porch Arrangement – Monday, Nov 23 at 6:30pm

- Registration deadline – Nov 14
- Supply Kit Pick Up at your local Extension office – Nov 17 – 23
- Please note: A watering can or container, garden gloves, and a table covering (newspaper or a garbage bag work great) will be useful in this session, but won't be provided in your kit.

Are you ready to “spruce” up your porch or entranceway for the holidays? Join us for this 4-H virtual workshop and learn how to create a basic, round floral arrangement using fresh evergreens. Your creation will be an outdoor, winter-long decoration! Basic floral arranging skills and techniques from the 4-H Floriculture project will be demonstrated. You can keep your porch or entrance area cheery by making simple changes to the basic arrangement throughout the winter months!



### **DIY Smartphone Projector – Mon, Nov 30 at 6:30pm**

- Registration deadline – Nov 19
- Supply Kit Pick Up at your local Extension office – Nov 17 – 23 Please note: Our offices will be closed Nov. 26 & 27 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Do you miss going to the movies? In this awesome session, you can make your own home theater with just a few basic materials. You'll hone your engineering skills while learning about light and lenses as we make our very own smartphone projectors. Join us to turn recyclables into inventions!

### **4-H Shooting Sports: Arrow Trajectory & Aiming – Thurs, Dec 3 at 6:30pm**

- Registration deadline – Dec 1
- No supply kit

Do you hit your mark every time? Do you miss it sometimes? In this session we'll try to help you hit more often. For those interested in archery, a basic understanding of arrow trajectory is needed to hit the bullseye at different distances. We will use simple demonstrations and experiments you can perform at home to explain how arrow trajectory (flight path) works. After discussing trajectory, we will talk about how arrow trajectory is related to point of aim. We'll talk about how point of aim can be adjusted for different distances so you can hit your mark. This session applies to both compound and recurve archery. For this session, you will need to have 4 sheets of paper, a pen or pencil, a ruler, and an arrow (or something shaped like an arrow that's about 28 inches long, such as a dowel rod or broomstick handle).

### **Electric Motor – Sat, Dec 5 at 1pm**

- Registration deadline – Nov 28
- Supply Kit Pick Up at your local Extension office – Dec 1 – 4

We use electric energy all the time! Charging our phones, keeping our food cold, lighting our home – electricity is everywhere! In this session, you can learn more about electric energy by making your very own electric motor! Join us for the session on Saturday, December 5 at 1pm as we construct our motors together. You can begin your path to a career in engineering today! – Or just come to make a cool new trinket and meet new friends!

### **Beginning Nature Pencil Sketching: Part 1 – Tues, Dec 8 at 7pm AND**

### **Beginning Nature Pencil Sketching: Part 2 – Sat, Dec 12 at 7pm**

- Registration deadline – Dec 1
- Supply Kit Pick Up at your local Extension office – Dec 3 – 8

Have you ever thought about sketching things you see around you then thought ... “I’m not sure how to start”? These two classes (1 hour each) for beginners will give you the basics to explore pencil sketching. Shading, high lighting and composition are among the topics that will be discussed or tried. Participants will be provided with the materials to complete a small drawing and begin on another in the first session. The second session will reinforce the basics concepts with the completion of the second drawing. The ability to show the instructor your work during the Zoom class is very helpful.

### **Spice Up Your Artwork – Sat, Dec 19 at 1pm**

- Registration deadline – Dec 12
- Supply Kit Pick Up at your local Extension office – Dec 15 – 18

You don't have to go outside to find nature! You may have many all-natural mediums right in your kitchen pantry! Join us for this 4-H virtual workshop and create an art piece using all natural material of different colors and textures. A basic supply kit will be provided to teach the technique for this workshop. You may add other natural media from your home if you wish. Your finished project will be a great fit to exhibit in the 4-H Creative Arts, Nature category.

## 4-H CLUB NEWS

### ELMWOOD ALL-STARS

The Elmwood All-Stars held a meeting on October 18th. Pledges were led by Landon Blunier and roll call was taken with the topic of "How do you like your marshmallows cooked?". The Secretary's report of the previous meeting was approved as read and the Treasurer's report will be filed for audit. For old business our club discussed what members did for National 4-H week, including the video for our window display. In new business Laura Stevens gave a Federation News update. We also discussed the Clover News including topics such as, congratulating Virtual Fair participants, Shooting Sports update, and Junior Leadership Conference details. Continuing in new business, our club discussed the County Awards Program and sang happy birthday to Paige, Chloe, and Sam. The meeting was then adjourned. Talks were given by Paige, Reagan, and Jacob. The next meeting will be November 15th at 6 p.m.

Submitted by: Written By Jacob Gilles



**Check out our Peoria 4-H website at:**

<https://extension.illinois.edu/fmpt/4-h-peoria-county>  
and our new unit website at:

<https://extension.illinois.edu/fmpt/4-h-youth-development>

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### WELCOME NEW 4-H MEMBERS

Dakoda Maguire / Laura Winners



### Club Reporters

We love to hear what your club and its member are doing even during this challenging time. Please let us know how your club is adapting and if you are having virtual meetings. If not, that is ok, let us know if you have any members that are doing something creative, out of the ordinary or extra to help others. Submit your club meeting or other information to Cathy at [ludolph@illinois.edu](mailto:ludolph@illinois.edu) so we can highlight your club or members activities in the monthly newsletter.



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## 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!

**Thursday, November 19, 2020; 7 PM**

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>

Future 4-H Volunteer Café Conversations are scheduled in February & May! We are excited with our participation so far and will be recognizing volunteers and 4-H members who participate in 75% of the Volunteer Café Conversations with a token of our appreciation! Be sure to save the dates!

**Thursday, February 18, 2021; 7 PM**

**Thursday, May 20, 2021; 7 PM**

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## 4-H VOLUNTEER VIRTUAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Engaged volunteers are central to a thriving 4-H club program which is why we have developed three new virtual volunteer training opportunities for you this fall! Please hold the following dates and watch your email for an email for a registration details so you can participate in the following training opportunities!

**It's Not Scary...It's Parliamentary Procedure – Thursday, October 29, 2020**

*Just because it's spooky season doesn't mean you have to be spooked by parliamentary procedure! Join us as we dive into the 4-1-1 on parliamentary procedure. We will explore officer roles, general parli-pro history, simplifying parliamentary procedure, and share ideas to help make parli-pro fun! Grab your ghouls and ghosts and save this date!*

It may not be too late to register! Use this link to sign up today:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=22663>

**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!*

If you have not registered there is still time, use this link and sign up today:

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



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