



June 2021

Peoria Clover News

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

Dear 4-H Families,

Happy Summer! School is out, it's finally warm andthe 4-H Fair is only about 8 weeks away! Before we know it, it will be 4-H FAIR TIME! If you haven't already started on your 4-H projects, now would be a good time to start.

You will soon be receiving information on how to complete your fair exhibit entries online. This is in addition to enrolling in projects online which hopefully all members have already done. You will need to complete the fair entry online as soon as possible to receive your project entry tags. Also, make sure you read the show book for project requirements, the judging schedule and any other changes that may have been made. This year we will have an in person show but there are a few modifications so be sure to read your 4-H show book.

There are so many fun activities and events happening in 4-H so be sure to read this newsletter for more information.

Sincerely,

Cathy Ludolph
Extension Program Coordinator
4-H Youth Development

4-H Club Meetings – Covid Update

4-H clubs can now meet face to face in groups of up to 1000 people or 60% room capacity. This includes all attending (members, leaders, parents, siblings, etc.). People who are fully vaccinated are no longer required to wear facial coverings or social distance both indoors and outdoors. Fully vaccinated means 14 days after the final dose. Face coverings for youth under 12 and people that are not fully vaccinated are required indoors. Mask may be removed outdoors only when it is possible to maintain a social distance of 6 feet. Clubs are also welcome to continue meeting via Zoom or another virtual platform.

National Opportunity



What do you think would happen if the toy company Schleich got together with 4-H to create the most fantastic animal tale of all time?

Find out with the “Create Your Story” contest, launching NOW! Join in the fun by creating a story only YOU can imagine.

The top 10 stories will go to a vote and the top two will be part of an interactive “create your own adventure” video premiering this fall!

Find out more here: <https://bit.ly/3taqrEV>



Local 4-H EVENTS

JUNE

- 8 Federation meeting, 6 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall
- 21 Livestock Superintendent meeting, 7 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall
- 21 Auction Committee meeting 8 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall

JULY

- 8 4-H Leaders Meeting - 6:30 pm at Peoria Extension office
- 12 Non-Livestock Superintendent meeting, 6:30 pm at Peoria Extension office
- 13 Federation meeting, 6 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall
- 17 4-H Horse Show @ HOI Arena, 9 am
- 26 Early set up in Youth Building for 4-H Fair @ Expo. Gardens 9 am
- 28 4-H Fair @ Expo Gardens (non-livestock project judging & Cat show)
- 29 4-H Fair @ Expo Gardens (Rabbit, Poultry & Dog Shows)
- 30 4-H Fair @ Expo Gardens (Goat, Sheep, Swine, Beef & Master Showmanship Shows)
- 31 4-H Dairy Show at Lindenhills Farm 1:30 pm

AUGUST

- 10 Federation meeting, 6 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall
- 13 Peoria County Day at IL State Fair
- 17 4-H Hall of Fame Celebration at the IL State Fair
- 28 State 4-H Dog Show

**A PERSON WHO NEVER MADE A
MISTAKE, NEVER TRIED ANYTHING
NEW.....Albert Einstein**

Just so you know

- **The 2021 Peoria County 4-H Show is July 28, 29 & 30 at Exposition Gardens**
- Peoria County 4-H Horse Show is Saturday, July 17 at the Heart of IL Horse Arena on Galena Road, Peoria
- Peoria County 4-H Dairy Show is Saturday, July 31 at Lindenhills Farm, 1:30 pm
- Illinois State Fair will run August 12-22.
- Peoria County day at State Fair will be Friday, August 13

State 4-H Upcoming Dates

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| June 5 | 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training at 4-H Memorial Camp |
| June 5 | State Public Speaking Contest |
| June 6-8 | 4-H Family Camp Session #1 |
| June 18-20
June 20-25 | 4-H Family Camp Session #2
National Shooting Sports Championships |
| June 21 | State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest |
| June 27 - July 1 | Illini Summer Academies (Virtual) |
| July 1-3
July 9-11 | Camp Corral Family Camp
4-H Family Camp Session #3 |
| July 24 | 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training at Camp Gardner in Hull |
| July 25 - August 1
July - August | ISF Junior Horse Show
In-Bound Exchange Program Summer 202 |
| Sept. 18 | Archery State Shoot at Pekin Archers, Pekin, IL |
| Sept. 25 | Shotgun State Shoot at Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill |
| October 2 | Rifle State Shoot at Central Illinois Precision Shooters, Bloomington, IL |
| October 3 | Pistol State Shoot at Central Illinois Precision Shooters, Bloomington, IL |



The Great 4-H Learning Garden at Wildlife Prairie Park

Outdoor Summer FUN!

Join us at the Wildlife Prairie Park 4-H Great Learning Garden.

Club members have been meeting monthly thru the spring creating art pieces for the garden. They are now meeting in the garden to plant and create decorative art projects

- Youth ages 8 to 18
- Location: Wildlife Prairie Park, Hanna City
- Register by calling 309-685-3140
- Our summer work days for 2021 are Tuesday and Friday morning starting at 9:30 am.
- Meeting dates and times may vary due to weather.
- Entry into the Park is free for 4-H garden volunteers—let them know at the gate you are there for the 4-H garden

For more information about the Garden SPIN club contact Leader May Bach, U of I Extension Master Gardener and Master Naturalist at (309) 397-5008 or send email to may.bach23455@yahoo.com or contact the U of I Extension Peoria office at 685-3140.

Environmental Science

Illinois Crop Scouting Competition for High School Age Youth

The Illinois Crop Scouting Competition is a one-day contest and will be held at the Crop Sciences Research & Ed. Center in Savoy, IL on August 4, 2021

Student teams of 2-5 high-school-aged youth (grades 9-12) with an adult coach will rotate through 10 outdoor stations at the University of Illinois South Farm fields to test their skills hands-on with topics such as identifying weeds, insects, and diseases, identifying the growth stages of corn and soybean plants, assessing abiotic injury, pesticide application, and integrated pest management.

Event details can be found at: <https://extension.illinois.edu/global/illinois-crop-scouting-competition>



Dog Obedience Training SPIN Club

Age 8-18

You and your best friend

In this fun and exciting *Special Interest* group you will gain knowledge on the fundamentals of showing your dog with hands-on experience. You will also become skilled at recognizing the important relationship between you the handler and your dog. When attending the first meeting please bring proof of shots for your dog, a flat buckle collar, a water dish, treats for your dog and a good sense of humor. Open to all youth age 8-18.

This group will meet once a week starting Thursday, April 8, 6:00 pm at the Peoria Obedience Training Center, 4115 Main St. in Pottstown. This group will meet every week until the 4-H Dog Show in late July.

To register online: <https://extension.illinois.edu/events/2021-04-08-dog-obedience-training-4-h-spin-club-peoria-county>

PLEASE NOTE: Due to covid restrictions space is limited - first come, first serve - so be sure to register as soon as possible.

Photos due
11:59 p.m. (CST) on
June 30, 2021

Capture What's Great in Midwest States 4-H Photography Challenge

Register at: <https://z.umn.edu/Midwest-states-photo-reg>
Info: <https://z.umn.edu/Midwest-states-photo-challenge>
Questions? Email fourhphoto@umn.edu

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXTENSION

Illinois Extension

Host an international student this summer!

Midwest Youth Photography Challenge

Calling all youth photographers! The Capture What's Great in Midwest States 4-H Photography Challenge is all about exploring what makes your town, county, state or the Midwest great! Submissions due June 30. Learn more: z.umn.edu/Midwest-states-photo-challenge

I PLEDGE MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE

Register & Report How 4-H is Making a Difference!

4-H members are making a difference in communities every day so remember you can still register service outreach efforts that have or will be happening in **March, April, May and June**. **State supported service efforts are included on the registration site.** <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=23183>

Also, make sure you **REPORT** about what you did on the Clubs page of the Illinois 4-H website:



4-H International

Host an international student for the Academic year August-June

Host a student from Japan or South Korea this summer through States' 4-H International! Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly learn a new language all while sharing your own.

PROGRAM DETAILS:

Students are enrolled in public high school and arrive in the USA in August.

Your family and exchange student will be supported by local and state coordinators.

STUDENT DETAILS: Visit the Illinois states 4-H International Exchange for details about the student coming this summer. <https://www.facebook.com/Illinois4hexchange>

SCHEDULE: Hosting takes place mid-July through mid-August.

WHO CAN APPLY: Anyone who wants to welcome a high school student into their family and is able to provide the student meals and a bed.

Contact the State Coordinator for more information: Miriam Rosenbohm, rosenbohm07@comcast.net or 309-339-8282

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>



4-H Family Camp

Experience the fun of summer camp right along with your kids!

4-H Memorial Camp in Monticello, IL is having Family Camp Retreats this summer in place of our normal Summer Youth Camps. Your family will get their own cabin for 3 days/2 nights. All meals are included. Program staff will be leading/assisting with activities at all our program areas. You can fish, swim, boat, make arts and crafts (including tie-dye), rock climb, zip line, do science-based activities, visit Allerton Park, take hayrack rides, make s'mores over the camp fire, and so much more! Covid-19 testing is **no longer required** to attend. Masks are required when around others.

We still have space available June 6-8 and July 9-11. Additional details and a link to the registration page can be found on our [website](https://go.illinois.edu/4Hcamp21). Sign up at: <https://go.illinois.edu/4Hcamp21>

Please contact Andy Davis ardavis1@illinois.edu with any questions.



4-H Dairy SPIN Club

In this fun and exciting special interest club youth age 8 - 18 will have the opportunity to experience all facets of dairy farming with several **“hands on”** activities. Participants will explore topics such as: milking, calving, feed & nutrition, health & vaccinations and much, much more. Youth will also have the opportunity to lease a dairy cow to exhibit at the 2019 Peoria County 4-H Show. Youth do not need to live on a farm or own a dairy cow to participate.

Location: Linden Hill Dairy Farm, Bartonville, IL

To sign up or for more information contact the University of Illinois Extension Peoria office at (309) 685-3140 or contact club leader Fred Rosenbohm at (309) 697-4041



Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Training

A summer 4-H Shooting Sports leader certification training is scheduled for Saturday, July 24, 2021 in Pike County, IL. Shotgun, Rifle, Archery, Pistol, Hunting/Outdoor Skills, and Coordinator disciplines offered.

Contact the Peoria U of I Extension Office for registration information. <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/shooting-sports/4-h-shooting-sports-volunteers>

Questions? Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu



2021 Illinois 4-H State Shoots (youth must be 14 by Jan. 1, 2022)

- Archery: Saturday, Sept. 18, 2021 at Pekin Archers, Pekin, IL
- Shotgun: Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021 at Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill, IL
- Rifle/Pistol: October dates 2 (Rifle), October 3 (Pistol) Central Illinois Precision Shooters, Bloomington, IL

Contact Curt Sinclair sinclair@illinois.edu with questions.



Sunday, June 20, 2021

Best time of year? 4-H Fair time!



Invite a friend to join 4-H

4-H CLUB NEWS

EDELSTEIN EAGER BEAVERS

The Edelstein Eager Beavers held a meeting at RHEO business for presentations on March 15, 2021. The 4-H members were divided into 4 groups, according to age and experience. One winner of each group was picked. The winners were Aleah Martin, Shiloh Herrmann, Gabriel Herman, and Michael Herrmann. Congratulations to all. Everyone did a GREAT job, and all who participated received a ribbon and \$5.

Following the presentations, we had a short meeting. It was decided that we will hold a silent auction this summer for our fundraiser instead of a bake sale.

A snack-to-go was provided. Thank you to Robert Herman and RHEO for letting us use their building. Thank you all to the 8 judges who volunteered their time.

Submitted by Bethany Stahl.

EDELSTEIN EAGER BEAVERS

The Edelstein Eager Beavers 4-H club had a meeting on April 19, 2021 in Ben and Hannah Martins' shed. We had a short meeting, followed by a craft. We divided up into 3 groups. One group made bird feeders. The other group did clay pots. And the 3rd group did a sewing project. We will complete the projects at the next meeting. Everyone had fun.

We would like to thank our volunteers that helped us with these projects: Betty Stahl, Marie Sauder, Kristi Christianson, and Perry Kieser.

The 4-H members were encouraged to participate in the Peoria County public presentations event.

We plan to have a campout sometime this summer at a lake. Each sibling group needs to have a parent stay with them overnight. We are all excited to have a campout!

Submitted by Bethany Stahl.

State Fair Book

The 2021 Illinois State Fair Premium Book is now posted to the State Fair website – link below.

<https://www2.illinois.gov/statefair/competitions/premium-books/Pages/default.aspx>



4-H members creating fun art work for the 4-H Great Learning Garden at Wildlife Prairie Park, May 2021.

WELCOME NEW 4-H MEMBERS



Independent

Kennedy Teubel



Club Reporters

We love to hear what your club and its member are doing even during this challenging time. Please let us know what your club is up to. Submit your club meeting or other information to Cathy at ludolph@illinois.edu so we can highlight your club or members activities in the monthly newsletter.



Foundation Hall of Fame ceremony set

The Illinois 4-H Foundation will honor one volunteer leader from each county at a ceremony during the Illinois State Fair. The celebration begins at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17 as part of Ag Day at the fair right before the Sale of Champions activities begin. Supporters and families of the recipients are welcome to attend. Bob Forney will be the 2021 4-H Hall of Fame Inductee for Peoria County.

Invite a friend to join 4-H

Doris Schoenbein Memorial Scholarship Award (\$500)

All high school seniors or 4-H alumni enrolled in a junior or four year college or a trade school are eligible to apply for the Doris Schoenbein Scholarship Award regardless of future career plans.

The purpose of the award is to recognize youth for exhibiting outstanding leadership, citizenship & community service participation during their 4-H involvement. One winner will be chosen each year to receive the \$500 Doris Schoenbein Scholarship Award. This award is sponsored by the Peoria County 4-H Auction Committee to honor Doris Schoenbein for her many years of dedication as a 4-H Volunteer Leader and support of the 4-H Program.

Applications are available on the Peoria County 4-H website at: <https://extension.illinois.edu/fmpt/4-h-peoria-county>

Applications must be submitted by June 15, 2019 for consideration. The award winner will be announced in July.

Bob Forney Memorial Poultry Award (\$500)

This award is available to current Peoria County 4-H members who are 10-18 years of age, are currently enrolled in 4-H and enrolled in the poultry project. There will be one award presented. The Bob Forney Memorial Award will be for \$500 and paid directly to the award recipient. Once a member has been awarded the Bob Forney Memorial Award they are ineligible to reapply. Applications can be found on the Peoria 4-H website at: https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/bob_forney_memorial_award_.pdf

Applications must be received at the Peoria County Extension office no later than July 1 of the year applying. All applicants will be required to participate in the Poultry Showmanship Class the year applying and participate in a required face to face interview the Thursday of the 4-H

Peoria County 4-H Leadership Scholarship Award (\$100 x 2)

The 4-H Leadership Scholarship Award is for older 4-H members and 4-H Alumni (ages 17 - 21). The purpose of the award is to recognize youth for exhibiting outstanding leadership during their 4-H involvement. Two winners will be chosen each year to each receive the \$100 4-H Leadership Scholarship Award. This award is sponsored by the Peoria County 4-H Federation youth through the Peoria County 4-H Auction Committee.

Applicants must be either current 4-H members who are High School Seniors or Peoria County 4-H Alumni that are currently enrolled in an approved post High School educational program (Junior College, 4-year University, trade School, etc.)

Applications are available on the Peoria County 4-H website at: <https://extension.illinois.edu/fmpt/4-h-peoria-county>

Applications must be submitted by June 15, 2020 for consideration. The award winner will be announced in July.

Jason Coulter Memorial Beef Award (\$500)

This award is available to current Peoria County 4-H members who are 15-18 years of age, are currently enrolled in 4-H and enrolled in the beef project for at least three years. There will be one award presented. The Jason Coulter Memorial Award will be for \$500 and paid directly to the award recipient. Once a member has been awarded the Jason Coulter Memorial award they are ineligible to reapply. Applications can be found on the Peoria 4-H website at: https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/jason_coulter_memorial_award.pdf

Applications must be received at the Peoria County Extension office no later than July 1 of the year applying. All applicants will be required to participate in the Beef Showmanship Class the year applying and participate in a required face to face interview the Friday of the 4-H Show. The award winner will be announced in July. Sponsored by the 4-H Auction Committee.

Peoria County 4-H Show News:

2021 Show Book

The 2021 Peoria County 4-H Show Book is completed and there is one available for each family. Check with your leader for a show book. It is also available on the Peoria County 4-H website at: <https://extension.illinois.edu/fmpt/4-h-peoria-county>

Please take the time to review it carefully. You will find exhibit requirements for all livestock & non-livestock projects.

Trophies / Awards

Trophy sponsorships are needed for the 4-H show. Letters have been sent to everyone that sponsored a trophy last year but each year trophies are always needed. If you or anyone you know is interested in sponsoring a trophy, please contact the Extension office. Sponsorships are \$25 each. Without our great sponsors, we would not have trophies.

Copyright / Trademark Laws and Visual Arts Projects

Art using any form of protected graphics (including school logos and the 4-H emblem) cannot be used unless the 4-H member has accompanying documentation of permission to use the items. Visual Arts projects using items protected by copyright/trademark laws cannot be advanced to State Fair. If you have any questions about using an item please call the Extension office at 685-3140.

4-H Auction - Friday, July 30

If you are planning to participate in the auction don't forget to complete and submit your Intent to Participate in the 4-H Auction form located in back of the 2021 Peoria County 4-H Show Book. Deadline to submit is July 1, 2021.

Invite a friend to join 4-H

4-H Spirit Display Contest



All Peoria County 4-H Clubs are invited to create a 4-H Spirit Display for the fair. The goals of the display are to:

- Beautify the 4-H show grounds
- Promote 4-H
- Opportunity for club members to work together on a creative project.
- Display Specifics about your club
- Include club name as part of display, meeting dates, times, location and leader contact info.
- Display can be a table or floor display. Please let the Extension office know in advance what type of display your club will have.
- Set up can be done on early set up day, Monday, July 26 or early Wednesday morning, July 28.
- Judging - will take place on Wednesday, and the winner will be announced Friday night at the Auction in the Youth Building
- **2021 Theme – “In 4-H you can do anything.....”**
- Clubs are responsible for bringing all supplies.
- Judges are looking for Creativity, Neatness, Eye Appeal, Use of Theme, Club Name and 4-H used in display.
- Be creative and have fun with your display!
- In addition to the “4-H Spirit” Award Stick Federation is giving a \$50 cash award to the 1st place club display and a \$25 cash award to the 2nd place club display.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

All STEAM Clothing & Shopping in Style projects will be judged at the 4-H Fair on Wednesday, July 28 this year.

YQCA and Quality Assurance Animal Project Information

Cat, Dog, Horse, Poultry, and Rabbits

If a 4-H member is taking Cat, Dog, Horse, Poultry, or Rabbits – They are required to complete Quality Assurance and Ethics training, one time during their 4-H years. The website for that is: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

Animal Science Posters or Displays at 4-H General Show

For any animal projects -- If a 4-H member is showing a poster or other display (not a live animal) at the 4-H General Show, they **DO NOT** have to do any type of ethics training. They can do it if they want to. It is still a good learning experience.

Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, and Dairy Cattle

(with live animals as a project)

Statewide requirement is that members in these projects **must complete YQCA** – Youth for the Quality Care of Animals, in order to show and be premium eligible.

Must be done every year they are in the project. Premiums are only given to those exhibitors who complete it. State Fair entries will only be approved for those who complete it.

- Youth may take training individually online at any time: <http://yqca.org> – Cost for this is \$12 per person or contact the Extension office at 685-3140 for a coupon code to cover the \$12 fee.

Invite a friend to join 4-H



Understanding 4-H premiums

In the past, the Illinois Department of Ag has provided funds to local Illinois 4-H members in the forms of premiums (cash prizes) for participation in 4-H shows and exhibitions. We currently have no guarantee that those funds will be provided. We treasure each of our 4-H families and know that you make a financial investment in your 4-H project work. We hope you continue to take pride in your 4-H learning and continue to participate fully in the 4-H program. As you are aware, we have no control on the actions of Illinois government.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION for 4-H Fair Project Exhibits

To exhibit your projects at the Peoria County 4-H Fair and to receive your exhibit tags you must enter the projects you plan to exhibit online at:

<http://peoria4-hfair.fairentry.com>

This website is separate from the 4-H online enrollment website, however you must be enrolled in 4-H Online in order to enter the projects you plan to exhibit at the 4-H show. Only the projects you are enrolled in will show up on the 4-H Fair entry website. If you have any questions or problems with the fair entry please contact the Extension office at 685-3140.

Peoria County 4-H Fair Community Service Project

Participate in the Canned Food Drive sponsored by the 4-H Federation group. All 4-H clubs are invited to participate by bringing non-perishable canned or boxed food items to the 4-H Show to be donated to area food banks. The club that donates the most items will receive \$25 from Federation towards a fun outing for your club.

Junior Superintendents

If you are age 12 and older and are interested in a leadership role as a Jr. Superintendent at the county 4-H show please contact Cathy at ludolph@illinois.edu or call 685-3140 for more information.

4-H Volunteers are simply the BEST!



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