January 2019



Peoria Clover News

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

Dear 4-H Families,

Happy New Year! I'm looking forward to 2019 and another great year of 4-H activities and events. Welcome all new 4-H families!

We have several exciting and fun 4-H activities coming up such as the Clover Clinic at ICC, the Great 4-H Learning Garden SPIN Club at Wildlife Prairie Park, and much, much more. I encourage everyone to choose an activity and participate. Be sure to check out the rest of the newsletter for more information and registration deadlines.

Cathy Ludolph Extension Program Coordinator 4-H Youth Development

Just So You Know.....

- 2019 Illinois State 4-H Public Speaking Contest is June 8
- 2019 Illinois 4-H State Robotics Competition is May 11
- 2019 Illini 4-H Summer Academies is June 23-29
- 2019 Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show is July 22-28.
- 2019 Illinois 4-H State Dog Show is Aug.
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- More details to follow as they are available!

What's new in 2019

Each month, we'll feature something new about one of our 4-H project areas! Let's start with Foods!



Innovation Class has been added to all of our 4-H foods nutrition projects. What does this mean? It means that whatever food project you are enrolled in, you can do something NEW and DIFFERENT and exhibit it at our 2019 4-H show!

Don't worry, you can still exhibit in your regular food class if you want!

Here is the general guideline for the

Foods Innovation Class:

Demonstrate the skills and knowledge you have gained through the project. The exhibit may include, but isn't limited to, original recipes, results of experiments not in the foods project books, variations on recipes or experimenting with unique cooking or baking methods.

Your work can be displayed by a food product, demonstrations, digital presentations, performances, or posters which you have made. Choose whatever method best shows what you've learned. Your exhibit should not fit in the other exhibit options for this project.

You must furnish any equipment you need for your exhibit. Internet service will not be provided for the exhibit. All exhibits must include something visual, such as a printed copy of a digital presentation, which will remain on display during the exhibition.

Electronic equipment will only be used during your personal judging time and will not remain on display during the entire exhibit period.

If you bring a food product, the food will NOT be tasted.



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web.extension.illinois.edu/fmpt Facebook— <u>Fulton County 4-H</u> (closed group) <u>Mason County IL 4-H</u> (closed group) <u>Peoria County 4-H</u> <u>Tazewell County IL 4-H</u>

Spring 2019 Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training Opportunities

Be watching for upcoming Speaking for Illinois 4-H training dates after January 1, 2019! Two more training opportunities will be scheduled in spring 2019. We anticipate the spring trainings to be held in central and southern Illinois locations. Exact dates will be identified once we have access to the 2019 Illinois Legislative Calendar.

Why should you participate in Speaking for Illinois 4–H training? You'll be trained to effectively share your 4–H story with legislators, donors, 4–H volunteers, and civic groups. You will also develop skills to explain the impact 4–H has in your local community, across Illinois, and the world. Training is provided by members of the Illinois 4–H Youth Leadership Team. Those who complete training will be invited to attend the Spring 2019 Legislative Connection events at the state capital in Springfield.



So good, we added another week to 4-H Memorial Camp

Great news! 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello will be offering five summer camp sessions in 2019. Choose from one of these summer sessions:

Tuesday, June 4 – Saturday, June 8

Sunday, June 9 – Thursday, June 13

Sunday, June 16 – Thursday, June 20

Sunday, June 30 – Thursday, July 4

Sunday, July 28 – Thursday, August 1

Cost will be \$230 for enrolled 4-H members. This new cost includes a \$15 credit at the Trading Post and a camper t-shirt so don't bring extra cash to camp! Cost to youth not enrolled in 4-H is \$270.

Registration will open February 4 @ go.illinois.edu/4Hcamp! Don't be late. Most spots will be taken by the end of February!

Peoria County Livestock Judging Team

Are you ready for a 4-H Adventure where you hang out with friends, have fun and learn more about your livestock project? If you answered yes.....the Livestock Judging Team is for you!

This group will meet on Monday evenings, 6:00 – 7:30 pm. starting Monday, December 3. Most meetings will be held at the Kickapoo Township Hall and others at a local farm to practice your livestock judging skills.

Please contact Livestock Judging Team Coach Kristi Smith at <u>kristilynnsmith530@gmail.com</u> before attending a meeting to find out the meeting location. Youth age 8 – 18 are welcome to join.

We NEED YOUR HELP: This group is looking for local farms with livestock to practice their judging skills. If you are interested in supporting this group please contact Kristi Smith (e-mail: kristilynnsmith530@gmail.com) or Cathy at U of I Extension Peoria office (309.685.3140).





CAMP LEAD

February 23 & 24 Champaign, IL

Join in the fun of summer camp in the middle of winter at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7th and 8th grade. Cost is \$160. Register at go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc before January 18.

Check out these workshops:

- Survival Wearables: There are many kids in the world who will never get the chance to go to camp. In this workshop, you'll work with Real Hope for Haiti to help clothe boys and girls around the world!
- The Wilderness Challenge: Do you have what it takes? Come experience the wilderness and try your best to overcome challenging physical and mental obstacles.
- Exploring the Forest of 4-H: Discover all of the opportunities 4-H has to offer. The possibilities in 4-H are endless. 4-H offers opportunities in science, agriculture and citizenship, in a positive environment where you get guidance from adult mentors and are encouraged to be a leader. Explore the forest of 4-H and search for your team.
- **Crafty Rafty**: Venture into the unknown with only a backpack as you build a raft to help you and your fellow explorers cross a ravine. This workshop allows attendees to work together and be creative to accomplish their goal!
- Science Explorers: Join us to explore different area of science under the Milky Way. You'll create glow-in-the-dark elephant toothpaste, experience the effects of static electricity, and fly to the stars with your man made rockets.

Peoria County 4-H Shooting Sports Committee meeting—Monday, January 21, 5:30 pm at the Peoria Extension office.



The Great Learning Garden 4-H SPIN Club

Create beautiful garden artwork, experience new and interesting gardening methods, make new friends, and grow plant foods to feed the animals.

First meeting date of the new 4-H year is January 26, 2019 10 a.m. to Noon at Wildlife Prairie Park. The members will be painting fish in preparation for a fish emulsion/soil improvement project.

Leader—May Bach, U of I Extension Master Gardener and Master Naturalist, <u>may.bach23455@yahoo.com</u>.

Check out our awesome garden art projects and photos from 2018 at: **go.illinois.edu/WPPgardenFacebook**



4-H Shooting Sports

Save the date....

Adults interested in becoming a 4-H Shooting Sports certified instructor can mark their calendar for July 20—21 at 4-H Memorial Camp in Monticello. Contact Cathy Ludolph to begin the process of applying for this special volunteer role.

Running list of state 4-H events:

February

4—4-H Memorial Camp registration opens 23-24—Illinois 4-H Jr. Leadership Conference, March 8—Explore ACES Open House April 13—State 4-H Horse Speaking & Hippology 14—State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest 27 - National 4-H Day of Service #TrueLeaders Mav 4-5-4-H Memorial Fish Camp, Monticello 11- State 4-H Robotics Competition, Bloomington June 8-tentative, Illinois 4-H Communication Contest 8 – 15—Citizenship Washington Focus Trip 17—State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest 23-27—Illini Summer Academies ! Julv 22—28—Illinois 4-H Jr. Horse Show August 8—18—Illinois State Fair 24—Illinois 4-H Dog Show, Dixon

Secretary & Treasurers Books Online Only

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://4h.extension.illinois.edu/ clubs/meeting-resources

Leaders–Please check with these officers from time to time to see if they need help getting this done. The secretary & treasurer books are due in the Extension office each year by September 30.



Bad Weather Alert

Hopefully we won't have any bad weather in the near future, but just in case, please call ahead to make sure we are still open or that a meeting hasn't been cancelled.

EVENTS

January

- 8 Federation meeting, 6-7:30 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall
- 15 Peoria County 4-H & Extension Foundation meeting, 5:30 pm at Extension office
- 21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, office closed
- 22 Peoria 4-H Shooting Sports Meeting 5:30 pm @ Extension office, Peoria
- 26 Great Learning Garden SPIN Club meeting at Wildlife Prairie Park 10am - noon

February

- 2 Beef Weigh-in at Wyoming Sale Barn
- 5 Teacher Tuesdays @ Morton Library, 5 pm
- 9 Federation Paint Nite Fund Raiser @ Extension office, Peoria 7 - 9 pm
- 12 Federation meeting, 6-7:30 pm at Kickapoo Township Hall
- 14 4-H Memorial Camp registration opens
- 16 Clover Clinic at Illinois Central College
- 23 Great Learning Garden SPIN Club meeting at Wildlife Prairie Park 10am – noon

March

30 Great Learning Garden SPIN Club meeting at Wildlife Prairie Park 10am - noon

April

27 Great Learning Garden SPIN Club meeting at Wildlife Prairie Park 10am - noon

July

13 Peoria 4-H Horse Show (HOI Arena, Galena Rd)

31-Aug. 2 Peoria 4-H Show

- August
- 11 General project exhibit day at Illinois State Fair



is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see. -MARK TWAIN

Birthday Bag

Community Service



Project

During the month of February 4-H members in Peoria County are invited to make the 4-H Pledge come alive. All of the "Birthday Bags" collected will be delivered to local food pantries in Peoria County.

Please drop off all assembled "Birthday Bags" by February 28 at the Extension office. If your club is assembling the bags as a group project please take and share pictures with us here at the Extension office. Items to include in the bags include:

- \cdot Box of Cake Mix
- · Canned Frosting
- · Birthday Candles
- · Birthday Card

• Small (inexpensive) Gift (Please indicate on the outside of the bag the sex and age of child the gift is for- don't forget teenagers like birthday gifts too).



STATE 4-H HORSE SPEAKING CONTEST

The state 4-H Horse Speaking Contest is **Saturday**, **April 13** at the David Kinley Hall on the U of I campus, beginning about 10 a.m.

All 4-H members may participate. No prequalifying is needed. You must register at the Extension office by mid-March. Cost is \$3 per entry.

STATE 4-H HORSE BOWL & HIPPOLOGY

Regional horse contests will be held across the state. Winning teams and individuals advance to the state contests.

The State 4-H Hippology contest is **Saturday, April 13**, beginning about 8 a.m. at the David Klinley Hall on the U of I campus. Cost is \$5 per person.

The State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest will be held **Sunday, April 14** at the Education Building on the U of I campus, beginning about 8 a.m. Cost is \$5 per entry or \$25 per team.



It's 'udderly' amazing

State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest

You don't need a cow. You don't need to like milk (though you should RE-

ALLY like milk). You don't need to be taking a dairy project. All you need to compete in the State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest is a desire to do it. (You would probably do better if you study, too.)

The state contest is **Saturday, Feb. 23** at the Embassy Suites, East Peoria Riverfront Hotel & Conference Center, 100 Conference Center Drive, East Peoria. Check in before 11:30 a.m. The first test begins at 11:30 a.m. Contest rounds begin at 1 p.m., and the contest will be completed by 5 p.m. Participants will need to pay for their group lunch at the hotel OR you can go (with adult supervision) across the parking lot to Steak 'n Shake between noon and 1 p.m.

Register with your local Extension office before

Feb. 15. Questions will cover all aspects of dairy production and marketing. Study reference sources include the Illinois 4–H dairy manuals plus Hoard's Dairyman Reference Books, IL Extension Livestock E-Quiz website, Holstein Foundation website, and Virginia 4–H Dairy Quiz Bowl study materials online.

Teams of four may compete, or individuals can be added to other groups to form a team. The State 4 -H Dairy Quiz Bowl team will be selected from the eligible 4-H members participating at this state contest. Youth 15 to 18 are eligible for the national team. For information, contact Dave Fischer @ <u>dfischer@illinois.edu</u> or call 618-830-4957.

What is 4-H Federation?

Federation is a group of 4-H members age 13 and older from different clubs in Peoria County that meet once a month to plan county 4-H activities. Fall is the time of year each club should choose at least two Federation representatives. Having Federation representatives allows your club to know about upcoming activities as well as assure your clubs interests are represented when planning county 4-H activities.

- Federation generally meets the 2nd Tuesday each month from 6 – 7:30 pm at the Kickapoo Township Hall (unless otherwise announced).
- Next meetings are Tuesday, January 8 and Tuesday, February 12, 6 – 7:30 pm at the Kickapoo Township Hall.

Explor ACES

Time for you to Explore ACES

Take a day and find out just what University of Illinois College of Agriculture, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences offers students. March 8 is saved for prospective students and their families; March 9 is for confirmed ACES students. Learn more online @ exploreaces.org.

TrueStep up onLeaders
in ServiceNational 4-H Day
of Service

4-H members do service better than everyone else! Join us for National 4-H Day of Service Saturday, April 27. The goal of National 4-H Day of Service is to encourage 4-H members in every county to make a positive difference. Service projects can be done by individuals or as an entire county 4-H program. No matter what the project, this will be a day to make a difference.

Can't make it April 27? That's okay; plan something for any day in April.

Here's how to participate:

Go to https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in -service/ and register your event.

Go to go.illinois.edu/4Hservice and find helpful resources.

Do your event and promote on social media using #thats4H and #TrueLeaders.

Go to go.illinois.edu/4Hservice after your event and submit a report on what you did. We'd love to see your photos, too.

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

https://www.facebook.com/peoriacounty4h

Visit the Peoria County 4-H website!

http://web.extension.illinois.edu/fmpt/peoria4h/

YES! you can! Project Youth Extension Service Intern

College students can put their 4-H experience to work



while they develop their professional skills in youth development, group facilitation, critical thinking, and program management as a Project Youth Extension Service (YES!) intern.

Project YES! Interns provide educational activities for youth of military families. This is a 12-month internship for college juniors, seniors, and graduate students and runs June 2019 – May 2020.

Interns must attend the mandatory orientation, currently scheduled for May 17-26, 2019 as well as additional training throughout the year (as required).

Following orientation, interns may work 1-2 weekends a month, however inters **must commit to a minimum of one weekend per month (Fri-Sun)** for the duration of the internship.

Additional opportunities may be presented during the summer months and throughout the year. Applications will be accepted through Feb. 28. Apply @ www.projectyouthextension.com.

Governor's Volunteer Service Awards



Think of that person that never stops helping.

They are the one that always raises their hand to volunteer first! Serve Illinois is now accepting applications for the Governor's Volunteer Service Awards. There are separate divisions for youth, adult, senior, AmeriCorps, and Senior Corps volunteers. Winners will receive their awards in April in Springfield. Nominations are due February 15. Don't miss your chance to thank a person who makes a difference every day! Complete online application and paper application submission information are available at https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/serve/Pages/Volunteer-Awards.aspx.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Legacy of Leadership Scholarship

Fifteen \$1,000 **Legacy of Leadership Scholarship** are offered to members who have demonstrated overall mastery and leadership in the 4-H program. You must have been a member for at least 5 years and attending either a 4-year university, community college, or trade school. The scholarship is open to high school seniors and college freshmen. Applications are due March 1. Download the application @ go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships. Finalists must submit a video of your 4-H accomplishments.

IAA Foundation Scholarships

The IAA Foundation provides college scholarships to Illinois Farm Families, Illinois Farm Bureau members, spouses, or their children who major in agriculture, agribusiness, or an ag-related course of study.

This year, the IAA Foundation offers 72 awards ranging from \$1,000 to \$7,500. Applicants may apply for more than one but can only receive one scholarship. In addition to the above guidelines, many scholarships have specific requirements which you will need to review.

Apply online before February 1, 2019 @ <u>http://</u> <u>www.iaafoundation.org/iaaf/Scholarships/</u> <u>overview_scholarships.htm</u>.

Farm Credit Illinois offering cash for community improvement

Looking for funding support to conduct community service outreach in your community? Farm Credit Illinois is ready to help Illinois 4-H clubs and FFA chapters bring positive and visible change to Illinois communities! Fifty \$500 Community Improvement Grants are available. Clubs must be located in one of the 60 central and southern Illinois counties served by Farm Credit Illinois. Check if your club is eligible and apply today at <u>farmcreditIL.com.</u>

Be sure to contact your LOCAL EXTENSION OFFICE BEFORE applying for this grant to ensure you follow all fiscal requirements!



Illinois Commitment, a financial aid program that promises free tuition and campus fees for in-state students with a family income of \$61,000 or less. <u>https://admissions.illinois.edu/commitment</u>

Farm Credit Illinois Scholarships

High school seniors planning careers in agriculture may apply for a \$2,000 scholarship. Farm Credit Illinois will provide 30 scholarships to youth who live or farm in one of the 60 counties in their service area. The first \$1,000 will be distributed for the Fall 2019 semester, and the second \$1,000 will be applied during the Fall 2021 semester. Apply online at <u>farmcreditIL.com</u> before March 1. Are going to University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences? The college is MATCHING this scholarship, dollar for dollar! Double your money while getting a great ag education!

Illinois 4-H Livestock Scholarship

This \$1,000 **Illinois 4-H Livestock Scholarship** is open to members who have demonstrated mastery in the livestock area and plan to continue their education in the area of agriculture. Members must have been involved in the livestock project a minimum of three years. You must have been a member for at least 5 years and attending either a 4-year university, community college, or trade school. The scholarship is open to high school seniors and college freshmen. Applications are due March 1. Download the application @ go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships.

Beef Weigh-in & Tattooing

(No heifers this year—the Market Heifer Show has been discontinued)

If you want your steer(s) to be eligible for the County Rate of Gain Contest, the Illinois State Fair Junior Show or the Illinois State Fair Premiere Contest you must bring your steer(s) to be weighed and tattooed on the following date:

The 2019 date for the beef weigh-in and tattooing at the Wyoming Sale barn is Saturday, February 2. Peoria County time is from 8 - 10:30 am.

- In the event of extremely severe weather, call (309) 397-5996 the morning of the weigh-in and tattooing.
- Steers must be castrated prior to tattooing. If possible, exhibitors should be present during the tattooing.
- Electronic ear tags will be used this year. No charge for the ear tags. If you are only weighing the steers for the county Rate of Gain class you don't have to get the ear tag, but without the tag, your animal will <u>NOT</u> be eligible to go to the State Fair Junior Show— and you <u>CANNOT</u> get the tag later.
- Each livestock member may nominate up to 10 steers for the State Fair Open and Junior Premiere Classes. Junior Premiere Steers are eligible for the Open Premiere Class, if they are properly entered at the time that State Fair Open entries are made. To qualify, carcasses must be grade at least low select, have a yield grade lower than 4.0 and weigh 950 pounds or less. To qualify for State Fair, calves must have been born on or after January 1, 2018. They must be owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor since February 1, 2019.

NEW DATE: State Fair entries for Horse and

Pony are due on or before June 1, 2019. Copies of the ownership and /or lease papers, State Fair entries and one set of photos will be due June 1. For the County 4-H Show copies of the ownership and/ or lease papers and one set of photos are due May 1.

Livestock Ownership and Birth Dates for Barrows – one change

These were printed in the December newsletter. There has been one change announced since that time. Regular barrows for State Fair are to be farrowed on or after January 1, 2019, which is a change from the January 15 date previously listed. No change for premiere barrows from what was listed. **Check the December newsletter for all other livestock ownership & birth dates.**

Barrow Weigh-in and Tattooing

To be eligible for the Illinois State Fair Premiere Contest your barrow must be weighed and tattooed before they are 35 days old. All pigs must be tattooed by April 15, 2019. For more information on tattooing please contact Swine Superintendent Jeff Smith at (309) 678-7678.

For State Fair all barrows must have been farrowed on or after January 1, 2019 (date change this year). Barrows must be castrated and ear-notched prior to the tattooing. Both purebred and crossbred pigs are eligible. Each exhibitor may nominate a maximum of 25 barrows at the time of tattooing. Pigs cannot weigh more than the equivalent of 1.0 pounds per day of age when tattooed.

Please read the rules carefully and check the age and weight per day of age to determine when you may need to have your barrows weighed.

Learn about the swine industry

FREE WORKSHOP

4-H members are invited to a free workshop on **February 16** at the State Fairgrounds in Spring-field.

The day begins at 9 a.m. with check-in. Lunch will be provided. Youth may stay and complete the YQCA training at 4 p.m. at no cost.

We'll learn more later about this NEW, REQUIRED YQCA training which will replace Illinois' Quality Assurance and Ethics certification, but this is a great way to have fun and get your training out of the way. For more information and to register, go to ilpork.com

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!!!!

New Requirement for all livestock Project Members–Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

It has just been announced that the new YQCA certification is replacing the previous Quality Assurance and Ethics and is <u>MANDATORY</u> for all 4-H youth enrolled in beef, sheep, swine, dairy, goat, poultry and rabbit in order to remain enrolled in that project. This can be done online at YQCA.ORG. This certification must be done <u>every</u> <u>year</u>, but does have test out options some years.

This applies to 4-H members whether they exhibit live animals or do a display at the general 4-H show.

For those in horse and dog projects, they still will complete the <u>Mandatory</u> Quality Assurance and Ethics certification. This site is: <u>http:/web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/</u>

This is to be done just once in their 4-H career. Those who have done it in the past do not have to complete it again. This applies to 4-H members whether they exhibit live animals or do a display at the general 4-H show.

There are no requirements at this time for cat, guinea pig or small pet exhibitors.

Weighing and Tattooing Sheep and Meat Goat Wethers

Big Changes – No More Regional Check-in Sites

<u>SHEEP Market Wethers & Market Ewe Lambs:</u> Live Show Wethers –

- No more Regional check-in sites New nomination format
- Lambed on or after January 1, 2019
- Ownership Date May 15, 2019

- Self-nomination as follows: Nominations must be signed by local Extension Office.
- Exhibitors fill out and send in nomination form with photo of lamb's ear with scrapie tag installed in ear (close up photo of ear so scrapie tag can be read). This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2019. Send to Dan Jennings, Region 1 Office, 1100 E., Warrenville Rd., Suite 170, Naperville, IL 60563.

<u>Jr. and Open Premiere Wether lambs:</u> - Weigh-in, tattoo, and nomination procedures:

- Junior and open premiere lambs will be nominated, tattooed, and weighed at the county level.
- Premiere lambs must be weighed and tattooed with the Box A tattoo followed by a number starting with 1 – This must be witnessed by a local Extension employee or a person they designate, such as a volunteer or local sheep superintendent.
- Completed nomination forms must be signed by the local Extension Office.
- Send nomination forms to Dan Jennings (address above).
- Ownership and nomination deadline is March 15 to May 15, 2019.
- Lambed on or after January 1, 2019

<u>Meat Goat Wethers</u>: Live Show Wethers – No more Regional check-in sites – New nomination format

- Wethers Born on or after October 1, 2018
- Ownership dates for Kids & Yearlings not in milk May 15, 2019
- Self-nomination as follows: Nominations must be signed by local Extension office.
- Exhibitors fill out and send in nomination form with photo of goat's ear with scrapie tag installed in ear (close up photo of ear so scrapie tag can be read). This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2019. Send to Dan Jennings, Region 1 Office, 1100 E. Warrenville Rd., Suite 170, Naperville IL 60563

Club News

Dunlap Dynamite

December 2018—The Dunlap Dynamite met Sunday, December 9, 2018, and started the evening with a family potluck supper. During the club meeting, new business included review of the Clover News highlights for the month, as well as deciding that our January meeting will include a leather stamping project for members to complete. We also confirmed that we will work with the police department to have a K-9 officer demo at a spring meeting. At the end of the meeting we all made Christmas Cards that will be delivered to seniors in the community. We finished the evening with a club Christmas tradition, reading Twas the Night Before Christmas, and had a member gift exchange. Our January meeting will be held on Sunday, January 13, at 6 pm at Prospect United Methodist Church in Dunlap.

Caroline Tautkus, Reporter

Jubilee Patriots

Jubilee Patriots held a meeting on November 18, 2018. The meeting started with updating record books and a memory game provided by Maggie Lindahl. The pledges were said and secretary Silas Mattern called roll call. Minutes from the last meeting were read and the treasurer's report was given. Ashlyn Slayton and Jenessa Unsicker gave a report on the last Federation meeting. The Church family gave a report on the rabbit show clean up. After a report on the Awards Banquet, president Catherine Mattern gave out the awards from the Awards Banquet. We also talked about the Christmas Basket assembly which will be held on December 13th after school at the Brimfield American Legion. So far we have collected 74 sets of hats and gloves to donate for the baskets. We will also be hosting a paint night on December 1st from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. It will be held at The Simple Things in Farmington. Please sign up on The Simple Things Facebook page and pick your designs. Our December meeting will be on December 9th, 2018 at 6:00 Pm



Invite a friend to join 4-H

WELCOME NEW 4-H MEMBERS

<u>Laura Winners</u> Alaythea Yess Avigail Yess Isaiah Yess Milo Theobald (CB) <u>Horse Hustlers</u> Brady Genusa

<u>Edelstein Eager Beavers</u> Shiloh Herrmann

<u>Jubilee Patriots</u> Sebastian Mattern Kenna Stahl

4-H Enrollments

Check with your 4-H Leader to make sure you are enrolled in the right projects.

May 1, 2019 is the deadline for making changes (except for those livestock projects that had a January deadline). Young persons may join 4-H at any time of year, but to exhibit at the 4-H show they must be enrolled at the county Extension office by May 1 of each year.

To be a 4-H member in the 2018-2019 year, youth must be at least 8, and not more than 18 as of September 1, 2018.

مه Club Reporters:



Don't forget to submit your club meeting information to the Extension Office at <u>ludolph@illinois.edu</u> so we can highlight your clubs activities in the monthly newsletter.

Ashlyn Slayton, Reporter



Let's Make a Difference With Service Learning

This year, 4-H will be making a special effort to do more service learning throughout Fulton,

Mason, Peoria, and Tazewell counties. Help us make a difference in our community! What is Service Learning?

Service learning is similar to community service, but with superpowers! It's a way to address a problem in the community, while you gain new skills and knowledge at the same time! Learn about your community, make new friends, try something new, and - most importantly MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

How Can You Get involved?

Try any or all of the following..._and lots more: Look around your community. What problems or issues do you see? Do some research on the problem or issue – Go online and talk to people who might know more. Think of ways that you and other 4-H members can help – and things that you can learn while you're at it!

Join the unit-wide 4-H Service Learning Committee. You can help plan and organize an event for the whole area. This is a great leadership opportunity for teens and adults, and most of our meetings will be online.

Submit a service learning project idea that our whole unit can be involved in. We'll narrow down the options, then everyone can vote for their favorite finalist. 4-H members from all four counties will work on the winning idea! Submit your idea <u>here</u>, or visit <u>https://</u> <u>go.illinois.edu/2019Service</u>.

Attend a training (keep reading to learn more), and become a service learning leader in your 4-H club. You will work with fellow 4-H members and adults to make a difference in our area.

4-H Motto

"To Make the Best Better"

Want to Know More?

Come to a Service Learning Training! You'll learn everything you need to get started, and meet others who want to be involved, too. Trainings are open to everyone, and dinner will be provided.

Please RSVP to the contact below to ensure we have enough food.

February 4, 2019 – 5:30pm

U of I Extension Office, Mason County 127 S. High St., Havana, IL 62644 (309) 543-3308 RSVP by Feb 1, 2019 Contact: Joli – <u>jkpierso@illinois.edu</u> or Janis – <u>jblout@illinois.edu</u>

February 7, 2019 – 5:30pm

Tazewell Farm Bureau Auditorium 1505 Valle Vista Blvd., Pekin, IL 61554 (309) 347-5472 RSVP by Feb 5, 2019 Contact: Katharine – <u>girone1@illinois.edu</u>

February 11, 2019 – 5:30pm U of I Extension Office, Peoria County 4810 North Sheridan Rd., Peoria, IL 61614 (309) 685–3140 RSVP by Feb 8, 2019 Contact: Cathy – <u>ludolph@illinois.edu</u>



..You're invited to a **PAINT NITE** FUNDRAISER

for 4-H Federation



For youth age 10 and older and adults

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Grab a paint brush and let the fun begin at the 4-H Federation Paint Nite Fund Raiser.

We hope you will join us for an awesome nite of fun! Money earned from this event will be used to purchase pop-up tent awnings to cover the picnic tables by the livestock barns during the 4-H Fair so families can eat in shade and to provide additional awards for the 4-H Club Spirit Displays.

You will be painting a beautiful 13 1/2" x 16" Rustic Wood Panel for your home or to use as a gift. (Photo is pictured above)

Register online at:

https://web.extension.illinois.edu/fmpt/ peoria4h/

or call the U of I Extension office at (309) 685-3140

Refreshments provided



Date, Time, Location: Saturday, February 9, 2019 7- 9 pm U of I Extension Peoria County Office 4810 North Sheridan Road, Peoria, IL

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Do you have the winter blues?



Are you tired of sitting around the house?

It's time to Get Up and Move!

4-H KARATE SPIN Club

The Karate 4-H club teaches authentic traditional Japanese Shotokan karate in a stimulating, professional and informative class atmosphere that can be enjoyed by participants of all ages (both boys and girls). Karate is an "empty – hand" weaponless martial art. Students learn karate defensive techniques such as blocking, punching, kicking, evasion from attack, dangerous situation avoidance, common sense self-defense and much more.

- This club is for youth ages 8 to 18
- Cost: \$20 4-H Program Fee
- plus \$40 Karate Club fee for each 12 week session
- Next 12 week session starts Thursday, January 31, 2019
- Meetings: Every Thursday night @ 6:00 pm
- Location: Kickapoo Township Hall
- For more information or to Register call the Peoria Extension office at (309) 685-3140

Neat opportunity for 4-H alum

Young adults are needed as program assistants for the summer program Citizenship Washington Focus

One of the most exciting trips 4–H members can take is the Citizenship Washington Focus in Washington D.C. The commitment includes three weeks of training, seven weeks of programming, and one week of program wrap–up. During programming weeks, the assistants work with client groups for the group's entire stay, from Sunday afternoon until Friday night, working in collaboration with each group's coordinator as well as Council program and planning staff. The assistants become licensed Class B Tour Guides for the District of Columbia metro area and will work to facilitate National 4–H Council's educational curricula to groups of youth.

Apply online by January 15 @ <u>4-h.org/parents/</u> <u>citizenship-washington-focus/#!program-assistants</u>



All it takes is one person to make a positive impact in a child's life. #Mentoring is a simple way to show you care. #NationalMentoringMonth #InspireKidstoDo

4-H Show Book Cover Design Contest

Calling all artists, graphic designers and photographers!

We would like you to create a cover for the new 2019 4-H Show book. Designs can be drawn by hand or designed on the computer. You are welcome to incorporate original photographs or clipart into your design. Copyrighted work is not allowed.

If you would like to use the 4-H logo, please contact the Extension Office to receive an official electronic copy.

Information that must appear on the cover:

Peoria County 4-H Show Book

July 31, August 1 & 2, 2019

Exposition Gardens, Peoria, IL

Contact the Extension Office for information about basic design principles. Designs are due to the Extension Office by March 1, 2019.

> Peoria Extension office closed Monday, January 21, 2019 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr Day



February 16, 2019 ~ 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Illinois Central College, East Peoria

Hosted by U of I Extension, Fulton, Mason, Peoria, and Tazewell Counties

Participants select their class schedule from the following fun, hands-on workshops:

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MORNING

- Art Journals
- **Backyard Wildlife**
- **Butterflies & Bees**
- **Button Art**
- Cook Up Your Outdoor Skills
- Creating with Fabric Flowers (10+)
- Design in 3D and Foundry in a Box (DS. 10+)
- Don't Be a Scaredy-Cat

AFTERNOON

- **Clay Beads**
- **Colorful Fun With Pop** Art (DS)
- **Creating with Fabric** Flowers (10+)
- **Explore Mother Nature**
- **Glass Etching Art**
- **Hopping Hares**

- Drilling Into the Earth
- Forensic Entomology (DS)
- **Fun with Fondant**
- **History Fun: Fossil** Timeline (10+)
- Hunting and Wildlife
- Know Ur Knot
- Leather Stamping
- Mad Science
 - Tie It Up with Fleece

- Crochet (DS, 11+)

- Ice Cream Science
- Interactive Robot Art
- Jewelry Making (DS)
- Leather Stamping-• Advanced (DS)
- Make, Play, Create
- Spring Crafts .
- String Art (DS) •
- Wood Burning

DS = Double Session

10+ = Age requirement of 10 and older. 11+ = Age requirement of 11 and older.

Open to youth ages 8 to 18.

Cost-\$15, includes 4-H drawstring bag

Schedule includes up to 4 workshops with a lunch break.

Register online at go.illinois.edu/4-HCloverClinic (deadline Jan. 25.)

Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis. Class descriptions available within the online registration and at go.illinois.edu/4-HCCworkshops



Photo by Katharine Girone, Tazewell 4-H

4-H Clover Clinic is a large multi-project workshop day for youth ages 8 to 18. This is a great event for 4-H members and youth who are new to 4-H. It is designed to give participants a chance to experience many different project areas. Classes are hands-on and taught by volunteers with expertise in their areas.

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CLOVER CLINIC 2019

Register online at <u>go.illinois.edu/4-HCloverClinic</u> (deadline Jan. 25) Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis.

Fun With Fondant: Learn how to make marshmallow fondant and use it to decorate cupcakes.

Ice Cream Science: Make ice cream while learning the science behind the process.

Backyard Wildlife: Make a birdfeeder and learn how to create habitats for wildlife.

Butterflies & Bees: Learn about pollinators. Win prizes playing plant bingo.

Cook Up Outdoor Skills: Learn camping and outdoorsman skills: basic fire building, outdoor cooking, trail marking, and more. Create a "fire circle" you can eat.

Don't Be A Scaredy-Cat: Cat care and nutrition.

Explore Mother Nature: Learn about nature through hands-on exploration (outside weather permitting).

Hopping Hares: Rabbit care and showmanship.

Hunting & Wildlife: Basics of hunting safety, tracking, and hunting.

Know Ur Knot: Intro to six basic knots, hitches, and lashings.

Design in 3D & Foundry in a Box: Engineering concepts using a 3D printer. Create a metal part using a mini foundry process. (DS, 10+)

Drilling Into the Earth: See how scientists sample soil and rock and what they learn when those materials change from place to place.

Forensic Entomology: Investigate crime scene scenarios using knowledge of insect life cycles and important species for forensics. (DS)

History Fun: Fossil Timeline: Explore the emerging field of Big History though the Geological Timeline of Life. Learn hands on with discovery boxes of real fossils and figurines. Start your own fossil collection. (10+)

Interactive Robot Art: Make art while using ball -shaped robots to manipulate paint, sand, markers, and more. Come prepared to get messy.

Mad Science: Chemistry comes alive with fire and ice demos in the lab.

Make, Play, Create: Use electric circuits to create fun games and projects.

WISUAL ARTS Art Journals: Design your own art journal and begin to fill it with creativity!

Button Art: Create a hair ornament, a bracelet, and other crafts.

Clay Beads: Mold beads during the session and bake them at home.

Colorful Fun with Pop Art: Create your own bright colored art with exciting patterns using Pop Artist Romero Britto for inspiration. (DS)

Creating with Fabric Flowers: Make fabric flowers and use them to create things like hair accessories, gift wrap bling, magnets, etc. (10+)

Crochet: Learn to crochet or build on what you already know about crochet. (DS, 11+)

Glass Etching Art: Design original art using stickers, tape, and etching cream.

Jewelry Making: Create jewelry pieces while learning the basics to this art medium. (DS)

Leather Stamping: Stamp a book mark or wrist band. **Leather Stamping Advanced:** Design and make a coin purse. (DS)

Spring Crafts: Use your creativity to create a fun spring craft using Easter eggs and more.

String Art: Create art using nails, wood, and string. (DS)

Tie It Up with Fleece: Make a soft fluffy pillow from colorful fleece fabric.

Wood Burning Art: Design a bookmark using a wood burning pen.

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Schedule of the Day Feb. 16, 2019, ICC

9 a.m.–Doors open for registration

9:45 a.m.–Opening

10 a.m.–Workshop #1

11 a.m.–Workshop #2

Noon–Lunch, Bring a sack lunch.

12:30 p.m.–Workshop #3

1:30 p.m.–Workshop #4

2:20 p.m.–Closing Ceremony

2:45 p.m.–Sign out in cafeteria



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