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“Over 100 Years Old and Still Youthful!”

Perhaps the greatest single point about 4-H is its “youthfulness.” An enduring youth development program over 100 years old is a solid testament to the positive effect it has produced on America’s youth.

Can you think of many youth development programs that have “raised up” young people to be as responsible, resourceful, and productive as 4-H? We can name some others, but in my opinion, I think they pale in comparison to the overall effectiveness of 4-H!

Much has been written about the current economic and social problems in our society, but I am comforted and, yes, even thrilled with the prospect that among tomorrow’s leaders are numerous young 4-Hers out there working on their projects, leading their club meetings, going to camp, attending leadership conferences, raising money for worthy causes, and making an early (and lasting) contribution to their communities in many positive ways.

Challenges are a part of everyone’s life. Young people with a background in 4-H meet those challenges and go beyond them to create a better world for everyone.

With the current economic challenges facing many programs, I find many people working toward assuring the future of 4-H simply because they feel it is essential for Illinois’ youth to have that experience—to give them that foundation for a lifetime of achievement, success, and contribution to the greater good of society.

The Illinois 4-H Foundation works to raise funds from private sources to support 4-H in our great state. You can be a part of the legacy of 4-H through your contributions and by telling the 4-H story to others, and encouraging their support.

Let’s make it a Two Hundred Year Legacy!!

I am pleased to work with all of you in making the best better—the 4-H way!

Rich Clemmons
Chair, Illinois 4-H Foundation Board of Directors

Give a Tasteful Holiday Gift!

Many 4-H members remember making a favorite 4-H recipe—such as snickerdoodles, wheat bread, funny cake, or brownies—while learning food skills as part of their 4-H project work. Over the years, the memories remained, but the recipes were lost. A cookbook, Favorite Recipes of Illinois 4-H Through the Years, includes all of the most requested recipes from the past 60 years and is available from the Illinois 4-H Foundation.

More than 150 recipes from 4-H foods project books such as You Learn to Bake, ABCs of Food, Adventures in Cooking, It’s Fun to Cook, Milk and Eggs, Meat in Your Meals, Pastry in Your Meals, and Yeast Breads in Your Meals are included in this 8½” x 11” spiral bound cookbook. Recipes are listed by book, alphabetically, and by food category for easy reference.

Proceeds from the cookbook will be used to support current 4-H foods project resources and training for 4-H volunteers. “As of October 2010, we have raised more than $50,000 from the sale of this cookbook,” states Illinois 4-H Foundation Director Angie Barnard. “Supplies are limited and we anticipate completing this project in early 2011. The cookbook costs $15.00 plus shipping and can be ordered online at www.4hfoundation.illinois.edu or by completing an order form available from your local extension office.”
From the Director

$205,000—The amount of money, as a result of your generosity, that the Illinois 4-H Foundation was able to give back to the Illinois 4-H program this past year, impacting each county’s local program! This is $40,000 more than last year! THANK YOU!

Whether you gave $5 or $15,000, you helped enhance our Illinois 4-H program, touching over 268,000 Illinois youth this past year! Your financial support DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE! Just continue reading this issue of the CloverSeed and you will see how!

I am very grateful that my career path has brought me back to 4-H. I am humbled and fortunate to be in a position where I can work every day to ensure that there is funding to sustain a long-lasting program or fund a new relevant opportunity!

As an eight-year member of the Scott Scotties 4-H Club in Franklin County, Iowa, I learned how to make my grandmother’s homemade noodles, balance my checkbook, and become a polished swine showman. Now as an adult, I am appreciative of not only the skills honed in my individual projects, but also those that I learned through leading and interacting with my fellow club members and leaders. 4-H taught me to speak in front of a group about something I enjoyed. It taught me to be accountable and it taught me to serve my club, my community, and my world. What did 4-H teach you?

My work at the foundation has been very satisfying. Because of each of you and your generosity, and because of our over 23,000 volunteers, Illinois 4-H is thriving! It excites me to know that my two children, along with thousands of others, will be able to participate in a 4-H program that continues to teach skills, promote independence and instill a spirit of generosity towards others—vital qualities needed in our world.

THANK YOU!

Angie Barnard
Director, Illinois 4-H Foundation

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[Left to right] Sharon Scherer, Monroe County; Mariah Dale-Anderson, Illinois Farm Bureau Representative; Keith Parr, DuPage County; Linda Garlisch, Mason County; Eric Yoder, Knox County; Beverly Haselhorst, Stephenson County; Dean West, Saline County; Sheri Seibold, Champaign County; Jim Schmidt, McLean County; Barbara Rundquist Clark, Cook County; Rich Clemons, Chairman, McLean County; Lila Jeanne Eichelberger, Emeritus, Champaign County; Mark Sturgell, Macon County. Not Pictured: Ken Ropp, McLean County; Randy Sims, Adams County; Tiffany Yates, Sangamon County; Rachael Miller, Youth Leadership Team Representative.

Interested in learning about serving as a board member? E-mail Illinois4hfoundation@illinois.edu or call 217-333-9295.
Greetings from the State 4-H Office

Dear Friends:

As donors and supporters of the Illinois 4-H program, you have astonished me! At a time when our public dollars are a struggle to maintain, you have contributed to the increase in our private dollars. THANK YOU! Thank you not only for the financial assistance, but thank you for the confidence you place in the Illinois 4-H program to produce the young people that you desire in your families, communities, places of business, and leadership. Let me assure you that Illinois 4-H is committed to a high-quality positive youth development experience for a growing number of youth.

Speaking of growing—I hope you are interested in learning about our newest funding initiatives.

Illinois 4-H will be focusing on 4-H clubs and groups in the following metropolitan areas—Chicago, Rockford, LaSalle/Peru, Bloomington, Springfield, Decatur, Peoria, and East St. Louis metro areas. The youth we intend to reach are from limited income families and live in communities that have few resources. We need your help to provide scholarships in order to organize 4-H clubs. A $200 donation sponsors a metropolitan 4-H club consisting of 10 members and one caring adult. Our goal this next year is 1,000 new 4-H members in metro areas—thus the need for $20,000 in additional gifts to the Illinois 4-H Foundation.

Program grants for Extension’s multi-county units. Over the years, some of our most innovative programming at the local level has been “seeded” by program grants from the Illinois 4-H Foundation. We would like to increase the number of grants from 20 to 27 (one per new multi-county Extension Unit). This will require an additional $15,000 in gifts to the Illinois 4-H Foundation. The grant application process will encourage multi-county programming aligned with Illinois 4-H initiatives focused on young people who are employable, physically fit, thinking green, science excited, and committed to healthy relationships.

Special Interest (SPIN) 4-H club grants. Last year, our 4-H membership in some counties doubled because of the new opportunity to form 4-H clubs in which adults and youth focused on a single topic or project interest for a specific period of time. These group learning environments present new equipment challenges not experienced in community clubs where youth select individual project interests. SPIN Clubs have voiced a need for robotics kits, video technology kits, shooting sports equipment, and more. Club grants range from $250 to $1,000 depending on the equipment needs and number of members. The Illinois 4-H Foundation contributed $8,000 in club grants last year. Based on a growing number of SPIN Clubs, it is anticipated that $20,000 will be needed for this year.

Join the thousands of Illinois 4-H supporters that are contributing to the growth and quality of our youth program. We are making the best better!

Denise Legvold
State Program Leader, Illinois 4-H Youth Development
Lumpkin Family Foundation Grant Sparks New Illinois 4-H Marketing Tools

With today’s technology tools, a brochure or flyer is easy to produce. However, a marketing strategy that defines an organization’s visual identity and messaging that creates the framework and foundation for current and future marketing efforts is a little more involved. A $15,000 grant from the Lumpkin Family Foundation allowed Illinois 4-H to use a marketing and communications consulting firm which first researched and then developed marketing tools that were introduced to local 4-H programs in September 2010.

When asked, leaders and members said the words that best represent 4-H are: learning new things, serving my community, having fun, learning skills for the future, growing confidence, practice being a leader, learning responsibility, and making friends. These themes and stories shared by members and alumni are sprinkled throughout the new marketing tools.

Lumpkin Family Foundation strives to:
• support the creativity of nonprofit organizations by seeding new projects and encouraging experimentation and innovation;
• support organizations that demonstrate outstanding leadership in their field;
• promote the effectiveness of organizations by supporting planning; and
• develop public understanding of issues and promote philanthropic support necessary to address issues of community importance.

The Illinois 4-H Foundation is pleased to share a common mission with the Lumpkin Family Foundation. Our specialty is positive youth development—a critically important issue for all communities in Illinois.

Illinois 4-H Recognition for Excellence Program—25+ Years of Support

The mission of the Illinois 4-H Program is to help youth become self-directing, productive, and contributing members of society. Since each person is a unique individual, a variety of strategies is needed, using techniques that reflect the age, experience, needs, interests, and environment of the youth.

Over 25 years ago, Illinois accepted and adapted the National 4-H Recognition Model as one of its learning strategies. The research behind the Illinois 4-H Recognition for Excellence program still supports our current program in providing four separate, yet interrelated, types of recognition for our members and clubs. The four parts include:
• Recognition for Participation in Educational Experiences
• Recognition for Progress towards Personal (or Group) Goals
• Recognition for Achievement of Standards of Excellence, and
• Recognition for Peer Competition

All county 4-H programs may request and receive items from the Recognition for Excellence program, guaranteed by the Illinois 4-H Foundation. The Foundation annually provides approximately $16,000 toward support of the program from funds provided by the Nedra Wesson Recognition of Excellence Endowment and unrestricted gifts. The Foundation gives additional funds for award trips in the Peer Competition level (National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Judging Contests, National 4-H Dairy Conference, etc.).

The Foundation’s Board of Directors is continually searching for new donors interested in sponsoring various aspects of the program. Consider making a gift that will provide Illinois 4-Hers with items of recognition. Contact us by e-mail at illinois4hfoundation@illinois.edu or call 217-333-9295.
4-H Memorial Camp

It’s a place where friendships are formed, never-forgotten memories are made, and gainful skills are learned. It all happens at 4-H Memorial Camp.

When asked what children gain from camp, Camp Manager Curt Sinclair said, “They gain a greater sense of independence. But when you ask the kids they simply say, ‘it’s a blast!’” He went on to say, “In a way, 4-H Memorial Camp is similar to what happens to college freshmen who move into a new environment, meet new people, and do activities they have not done in their routine home life. The growth that happens is quick and lasting. Learning how to make adjustments to life, cope with unexpected situations, and discover new interests is powerful stuff.”

That is why 4-H Memorial Camp and its setting at Allerton Park is vital to each person who attends camp. 4-H campers are not the only ones who benefit from the facilities and surroundings of the camp. Whether it is for a day of team building or a week of band camp, different community groups, youth leadership programs, companies, and local schools use the camp for their activities. Sinclair commented that the setting of camp is a huge factor in its success.

While campers’ fees do cover basic operating costs, it is not enough to fund major renovation needs of the camp. In September 2009, Remember CAMpaign, a $2M capital campaign to restore the historic Dining Hall was launched. Phase One, which included bringing the kitchen up to code and remodeling the private dining hall, is now complete, but is yet to be completely funded. In addition, your help is still needed to begin Phase Two, the renovation of the large Dining Hall and the restoration of the building’s exterior.

YOU can play a substantial role in the renovation of the Dining Hall project. Your support of the Remember CAMpaign is needed to bring the historic Dining Hall back to its original beauty.

Now is the time for those who gained friendships, memories, and skills at 4-H Memorial Camp to join together. Support the Remember CAMpaign by making a donation today. There are naming opportunities available. Perhaps you and your family would consider a gift in memory or in honor of a loved one who treasured his or her experience at camp. To make a donation, go to http://give.4hfoundation.illinois.edu or call the Illinois 4-H Foundation at 217-333-9295.

Remember, the Dining Hall needs YOU!
Carrol and Patsy Bolen grew up near Akin and Benton, Illinois, attended Benton Consolidated High School, and belonged to Franklin County 4-H clubs. They married while students at the University of Illinois, celebrating their 53rd anniversary this year. Carrol’s 4-H experience involved showing swine at the county and state fairs, while Patsy’s interest centered on sewing—a skill she continues to use today. Both recall their 4-H days as educationally and socially rewarding.

Bolen’s father was an avid hunter and fisherman and taught Carrol the skills needed to enjoy these hobbies early in life. Recognizing the trend toward more urban environments and the resulting decrease in traditional outdoor activities, the Bolens asked that part of their $15,000 gift provide supplies for the Illinois 4-H Shooting Program. This popular program, for ages 8-18, offers archery, rifle, and shotgun instruction for youth, and requires items such as safety glasses, bows and arrows, targets, clay bird throwers, air rifles, pellets, shooting vests, etc. Young people involved in 4-H shooting clubs throughout the state will have access to the equipment necessary to learn the etiquette and skills required for these lifetime hobbies.

The remainder of the Bolen’s contribution will be applied to a new initiative designed to encourage metropolitan youth to become involved with 4-H. “We really believe that leadership training at a young age provides the foundation needed for successfully meeting the challenges one faces throughout life. In our opinion, 4-H does this on a broad scale better than any other organization.”

Carrol and Patsy Bolen

low-income, underserved audiences. It is hoped to engage at least 1,000 new youth in eight identified Illinois metropolitan areas this year.

Bolen, former CEO at Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., stated that for much of his career, his involvement with 4-H was through the funding provided by his employer. Later, as a member and president of the Iowa 4-H Foundation Board of Directors, he gained a better appreciation of how 4-H touched the lives of so many people and the valuable life skills that 4-H taught. “We need strong public and private support for the program through financial commitments and volunteer work. The people who understand this best are the ones who have been fortunate enough to have participated in the program. Patsy and I are in that category and are pleased to be able to give back to the program.”

Illinois 4-H Foundation Provides Over $28,000 in Assistance to National 4-H Judging Teams

We are proud of all of our 4-Hers who represented Illinois in various judging competitions around the nation! Congratulations on your accomplishments!

4-H judging teams who earn the opportunity to participate in national contests receive funding from the Illinois 4-H Foundation to offset travel costs. Thank you to all donors who support our teams!

Go to http://4hfoundation.illinois.edu/judging_contests to view this year’s results.

Dairy, Livestock, Horse, Engineering, Forestry, Robotics, Horticulture, Meats, Poultry
A priority of the Illinois 4-H Foundation is to promote an opportunity for businesses, corporations, and associations to truly make a difference in the lives of young people knowing that these youth may be their future employees and coworkers.

The Illinois 4-H Project Partner Program allows these groups to support an Illinois 4-H project area of preference by being the project’s “Partner.” As a Partner, the company sponsors a specific project area with supplemental learning opportunities for the 4-Hers enrolled in that project.

This past year, a Project Partners’ $2,000 gift provided:

• An Annual Organizer—Each of the approximately 26,000 club members in the state of Illinois received a folder featuring all the Partners’ logos so that club meeting and project information could be kept in one convenient place.

• The Development of a 4-H Virtual Fair (see page 9)—This online experience served as a supplementary learning opportunity, focusing on the approved 4-H curriculum and educating the 4-Her on how Science, Engineering, and Technology (SET) impacted a specific project area. 4-Hers enrolled in that area, had the opportunity to upload their virtual project online to a site that was “brought to you by the sponsoring company.” An overview of the sponsor was included on the website page.

The Illinois 4-H Foundation recognizes that public visibility of support to the Illinois 4-H Youth Development Program is important. Therefore, a $2,000 gift to the Project Partner Program will be acknowledged in the following ways:

• Recognition on the Illinois 4-H Foundation website
• Recognition at the Illinois State Fair 4-H Family Event
• The company logo will be displayed at the College of ACES Salute to Agriculture tailgate
• “Proud Supporter of Illinois 4-H Youth Development Program” sign for placement at Farm Progress Show

CONTACT US TO BE A PROJECT PARTNER by e-mail at illinois4hfoundation@illinois.edu or by calling 217-333-9295.
University of Illinois Extension 4-H is preparing youth for future success. Science, Engineering, and Technology (SET) skills are increasingly important in today’s workplace. National reports argue that these skills are crucial for all Americans, as science and technology are necessary to be informed and engaged citizens.

4-H offers research-based, experiential learning opportunities in topics such as robotics, computer programming, and plant and animal sciences. But not all youth see themselves becoming scientists or engineers. The Illinois 4-H Project Partners have played an important role in supporting our vision, which encourages all 4-H youth to recognize and explore the significant role science and technology will have in their future.

With our Project Partners’ support, Illinois 4-H and the College of ACES Web Development Office created an online tool called 4-H Virtual Fair.

**Illinois 4-H Project Partners Engage 4-H Youth in Online Science, Engineering, and Technology (SET): Successful Pilot of 4-H Virtual Fair**

As a result of generous gifts provided by our Illinois 4-H Project Partners, this new 4-H Virtual Fair online tool was created to teach 4-Hers about science, engineering, and technology skills.

In this collaborative online environment, 4-H youth are able to share videos, maps, science experiments, and engineering prototypes that relate to their project area. For example, instead of sharing a poster board for a Citizenship project, a 4-Her might choose to create a GIS map of community resources or interview residents for a video documentary on a local community issue. The 4-H Virtual Fair tool allows participants to view exhibits of other 4-Hers from around the state, correspond with event judges, and add their own comments.

A successful pilot of the 4-H Virtual Fair was launched in August 2010. Exhibits were judged and SET Innovator Scholarships were awarded to the top exhibits. Those winners include: 1st Place: Aimee Pelletier, Jersey County; 2nd Place: Mitch Abbott, Montgomery County; 3rd Place: Jarai Carter, Champaign County. Honorable mention: David Zimmerman, Fayette County; Cameron Harmon, Christian County; Erick Murrer, Boone County.

Learn how to become an Illinois 4-H Project Partner and support educating youth about SET, by e-mailing us at illinois4hfoundation@illinois.edu or calling 217-333-9295.

**Were you a Delegate to:**

- National 4-H Congress,
- National 4-H Conference,
- Citizenship Washington Focus,
- a National Judging Event,
- the Engineering Events at Purdue,
- a Robotics Challenge®

4-Hers who have had the opportunity to represent their state at a national event proclaim it is a life-changing experience.

Are you one of those 4-Hers? Remember all the wonderful memories, new experiences, and lifelong friends you made?

The Illinois 4-H Foundation has committed to offsetting each individual 4-Her’s trip expense. A gift of any amount is very much appreciated. However, as a past recipient of Illinois 4-H Foundation funds, which helped make your experience possible, please consider a sponsorship of $500 for an Illinois 4-Her attending a national event.

Send a check to the Illinois 4-H Foundation, 1401 South Maryland Dr., Urbana, IL 61801. In the memo line, please note which trip you would like to support. Information about the delegations and their experiences will be sent to you following the event.

Help provide a life-changing experience for an Illinois 4-Her!
4-H Family Together at Illinois State Fair

On August 14, 2010, over 400 leaders, volunteers, Project Partners, and friends from around the state braved the summer heat to celebrate the outstanding 4-H members and volunteers who help keep 4-H thriving! The Illinois 4-H Foundation hosted the ninth annual 4-H Family Event, complete with ice cream, on the Director’s Lawn at the Illinois State Fairgrounds.

Mark Sturgell, Illinois 4-H Foundation board member from Macon County, served as the Master of Ceremonies and Illinois State 4-H Program Leader Denise Legvold introduced the 2010 4-H Legacy of Leadership Scholars (see page 17). Angie Barnard, Illinois 4-H Foundation director, inducted 37 outstanding volunteers and 4-H supporters into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame (at right). Also recognized at the event was the Roy M. Emory family of McDonough County as the 2010 4-H Family Spirit Award recipient (see page 13).

Save the date and join us for our 2011 celebration: Saturday, August 13

Over 400 guests attended the 4-H Family Event to honor award recipients.

Thirty-Seven Inducted into Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame

The sixth class of Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame inductees was recognized on Saturday, August 14, during the 4-H Family Event at the Illinois State Fair. The Illinois 4-H Foundation established the statewide Hall of Fame in 2005 to honor and celebrate extraordinary 4-H alumni, volunteers, and former 4-H staff. Nominations for the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame are made by University of Illinois Extension staff.

Together, the 37 members of the Hall of Fame’s Class of 2010 have been involved with 4-H as members and 4-H club leaders for more than 869 years! Each member resides from a different Illinois county.

Following is the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame Class of 2010 and their affiliation with 4-H:

Kathryn Baumgartner of Lena (Stephenson County), 10-year member, 22-year leader
JoAnn Block of Canton (Fulton County), 41-year leader, long-time volunteer
Jeff Bornemann of Sugar Grove (Kane County), 10-year member, long-time volunteer
Anita Brandmeyer of Bartelso (Clinton County), 10-year member, 40-year leader
William Brooks of Marble Hill, MO (Cass County), long-time volunteer
Pat Carey of Kinsman (Grundy County), 10-year member, 15-year leader
Inductees received commemorative Hall of Fame medallions and their names will be added to the virtual 4-H Hall of Fame listing at 4hfoundation. illinois.edu/hall_of_fame

“These individuals have done so much for our Illinois 4-H Youth Development Program,” said Angie Barnard, director of the Illinois 4-H Foundation. “Their endless devotion to 4-H youth and this program is invaluable! We are pleased to be able to pay tribute to their legacy for future generations.”
Over $23,000 in 4-H Program Grants were awarded this past year. These grants are available to unit, multi-unit, and regional 4-H programs. Illinois Extension professionals seek the assistance of the Illinois 4-H Foundation to support innovative local projects, which promote the 4-H mission and may focus on a specifically targeted issue or problem, or to support innovative marketing projects targeting 4-H club/group expansion.

Science, Engineering and Technology was the focus of several of the funded projects, including one in which members gained knowledge and skills that helped narrow the “digital divide” in Wayne County. Youth in southern Illinois learned to use GPS/GIS, mastered digital photography, engaged in aeronautical engineering, and explored the world of robotics at the Wayne County Tech Fest. According to Matt Rush, University of Illinois 4-H community worker, “The support provided by the Illinois 4-H Foundation helps fill a void that exists in many of our schools. The Tech Fest is an excellent opportunity for youth to be actively engaged in valuable learning experiences outside the classroom.”

Wayne County high school students and adult volunteers prepare rockets for Tech Fest Rocket Launch. Volunteers serve as a key component of the Tech Fest, involving 20 adults each day of the event.

Congratulations to the recipients of the 2010 4-H Program Grants!

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The Roy M. Emory family of McDonough County was presented with the 2010 Illinois 4-H Family Spirit Award on Saturday, August 14, during the 4-H Family Event at the Illinois State Fair. Their family’s 4-H story follows:

Although Roy M. Emory was not able to participate in 4-H as a youth, he began the first 4-H club, the Prairie City Livewires, in Prairie City township, McDonough County, in 1932. All four of Roy’s children and 19 nieces and nephews were members of the Prairie City Livewires.

Roy’s family followed his example of great dedication to 4-H. Collectively, the Roy M. Emory family has 46 individuals who have been 4-H members, leaders, or volunteers. The family has amassed 257 years of 4-H club membership and 72 years of serving as club leaders. The Emory family has also been highly involved in 4-H on the state and national levels. Today, family members credit their 4-H experiences of giving talks and demonstrations, holding offices, being junior leaders, and completing a variety of projects and activities in helping them achieve success in their careers and communities and in raising their families.

In appreciation for the 4-H camping opportunities many of them experienced, the Rex Emory family donated $15,000 in 2002 for the restoration of a cabin at the 4-H Memorial Camp at Monticello.

Dorothy Giese Emory, a 2008 Illinois Hall of Fame inductee, commented that the work to compile the Emory Family 4-H story “has been an interesting project and it has brought back many special memories of our involvement in 4-H.”

“The Illinois 4-H Foundation is pleased to honor this exceptional family! The Emory family is a wonderful example of the endless devotion a group of individuals can show the 4-H Youth Development Program,” said Angie Barnard, director of the Illinois 4-H Foundation.
New Endowment Honors Patti Jeanne Higgins

A $15,000 donation from the family of Patricia Jeanne Higgins, Alexis, IL, will fund the “Patti Jeanne Higgins 4-H Scholarship Endowment” to provide two undergraduate scholarships to 4-Hers from Mercer or Warren County.

Patti and her husband, Dennis, raised four children: Wendi, Jeremy, Nathan, and Allison. She was active in her church, played the piano, and enjoyed traveling and spending time with her family. Patti attended Western Illinois University for two years and later graduated summa cum laude in 1988 from Monmouth College with a bachelor’s degree in education. She was employed in healthcare social services and greatly enjoyed the people she met through her work.

Patti died tragically in January 2009, when she stopped to assist two young women in an automobile accident. Her family is pleased to honor her accomplishments through this endowment.

The first two scholarships ($500 each) from this endowment were awarded in the fall of 2010:

• Clay Zwilling, Sherrard, IL, is currently enrolled in the agriculture transfer program at Lake Land College. Upon completion of an Associate’s Degree at Lake Land, he plans to attend the University of Illinois to double major in agriculture education and communications.

• Kayle Hyett, Aledo, IL, is a freshman at Black Hawk Community College East Campus. Kayle plans to transfer to a four-year university and major in agribusiness/ag communications.

4-H Alumni and Friends Honored

ACES College Connection was held November 12, 2010, at the Alice Campbell Alumni Center in Urbana. 4-H alumni and friends came to celebrate the past year’s accomplishments and to recognize three individuals with much desired awards. The event, part of the Salute to Agriculture weekend activities, was hosted by the Illinois 4-H Foundation and the College of ACES Alumni Association.

Larry Fischer Leadership & Spirit Award
Ruth Poppe of Chenoa, was an eight year member of the Ellsworth Tip Toppers and Dawson Toppers 4-H Clubs in McLean County. She began volunteering for 4-H in 1981 and has served in several capacities since then. She served on McLean County’s Extension Foundation for six years and during that time was instrumental in raising over $10,000 for Extension and 4-H. Her efforts in the 2001 Extension Referendum campaign to finance McLean County’s entire Extension program were tireless! She has been named both McLean County’s 4-H Alumni of the Year (1998) and 4-H Leader of the Year (2002). Ruth has worked at State Farm Insurance for 22 years.

4-H Alumni Award
Lynette Marshall, of North Liberty, Iowa, was active in LaPrairie Ramblerettes 4-H Club in Marshall County, IL for 10 years. She spent 18 years fundraising for the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES), and was later promoted to Assistant Chancellor for Development. As the Associate Dean for Advancement in the College of ACES, Lynette was instrumental in transitioning the Illinois 4-H Foundation to the College in 1994. She is currently President and CEO of the University of Iowa Foundation.
Endowment gifts are the gifts that keep on giving. Leave a legacy through a 4-H endowment.

Endowed funds are permanently invested and the interest earned is used to support a designated program or award, or to provide unrestricted 4-H support at the local county or state level. Funds are managed for long-term growth by the University of Illinois Foundation. A 4-H endowed fund currently requires a $15,000 minimum gift or pledge.

Since the Illinois 4-H Foundation’s inception, the following named endowed funds have been established as a lasting legacy:

- Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Alexander Memorial International Fund (IFYE, Peoria County/statewide program support)
- Margarette E. Athey Adult Volunteer Leader Development Fund
- Jerry G. Cash Memorial Dairy Judging Awards Fund
- George A. Doole Memorial Aerospace Award Fund (National 4-H Congress)
- Mel Fink Livestock Judging Travel Fund
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- Harold Salzman Memorial Fund (statewide program support)
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- January Seitz Character Education Awards Endowment Fund
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- Ray Woodis Memorial IFYE Fund

The Illinois 4-H Foundation also holds the following endowed funds:

- The 4-H Endowment Fund (statewide program support)
- Illinois 4-H Alumni Legacy Fund
- The 4-H Legacy of Leadership Scholarship Fund
- The International IFYE Fund
- Superior Young Producers Scholarship Award Fund
- Illinois 4-H Youth Development Center Endowment Fund
- Camp White Eagle Scholarship Fund
- 4-H Citizenship Memorial Award Fund

In total, these endowed funds invested with the Illinois 4-H Foundation have a market value of $1.76 million and currently provide $86,000 of annual income that support various Illinois 4-H programs.

The Illinois 4-H program has identified the following areas as priorities for future endowed funding opportunities:

- Statewide Volunteerism Fund
- State Youth Leadership Conference Fund
- 4-H Higher Education Scholarship Fund
- Local county 4-H support

Contact the Illinois 4-H Foundation at 217-333-9295 or email Illinois4Hfoundation@illinois.edu to learn more about establishing an endowed fund through an outright, deferred, or planned gift.
The Illinois 4-H Foundation continued its support of recognizing our Illinois State 4-H Award Winners by assisting in sending 30 young people to Atlanta, Georgia, for the 88th National 4-H Congress in late 2009. National 4-H Congress offers expanded educational experiences through seminars, community service projects, and tours.

While in Atlanta, delegates attended presentations by Dan Thurmon, Dr. Barbara Chamberlin, Dan Clark, and former 4-H member Miss America 2009, Katie Stam. They also participated in an international dinner and dance and a night at the Atlanta History Center. Several delegates toured locations around Atlanta, including CNN, the Georgia World Congress Center, Georgia Aquarium, World of Coke, and the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library. Much was gained, as evidenced by Allison Parks’ comment, “National 4-H Congress was a wake-up call—opening new horizons and giving a different perspective on the 4-H program. Trips like this can definitely transform your outlook on life. I made new friends from all over the country, learned more about 4-H programs in other states, and discovered I, along with others, can make something incredible happen!”

Chaperones for the 2009 trip included: Deanna Roby, Extension Unit Educator, Kane County; Sharlen Finegan, 4-H Volunteer from Ashkum in Iroquois County; and George Gerriets, 4-H Volunteer from Green Valley in Tazewell County. Debra Stocker, Extension Specialist, served as the delegation coordinator.

The Illinois delegates represented our 4-H program in nine award areas, including Achievement; Animal Sciences; Community Involvement & Global Awareness; Engineering & Technology; Environment & Natural Resources; Food, Nutrition & Health; Home & Family; Personal Development; and Plants & Soils.

The Illinois 4-H Foundation provided $750 toward each delegate’s trip to National 4-H Congress. We sincerely appreciate the donors who assisted with the expense of this trip.

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The 2010 Legacy of Leadership Scholarship recipients were recognized at the 2010 4-H Family Event at the Illinois State Fair. (left to right) Peter Prindiville, Emily Morrell, Taylor Parks, Shannon Breen, and Kristin Bishop. Not pictured: Amelia Martens.

2010 Legacy of Leadership Scholars Named

Six college-bound Illinois 4-H members were recognized as 4-H Legacy of Leadership Scholars during the annual 4-H Family Event at the Illinois State Fair on August 14. The statewide scholarship program is coordinated by the Illinois 4-H Foundation and the University of Illinois Extension State 4-H Office.

The following scholars received a $1,000 college scholarship:

Kristin Bishop, a 10-year member of the Atlanta Town and Country 4-H Club from Logan County. Kristin attends the University of Illinois majoring in nursing. Scholarship sponsor: Keith Parr of Elmhurst.

Shannon Breen, a Douglas County Country Clovers 4-H member for 11 years. Shannon attends the University of Illinois majoring in crop science with a plant biotechnology and molecular biology emphasis. Scholarship sponsor: Illinois 4-H Foundation.

Amelia Martens, a 10-year Red Rangers 4-H Club member in Henry County. She is an agricultural communications major at the University of Illinois. Scholarship sponsor: Illinois 4-H Foundation.

Emily Morrell from Schuyler County was a 10-year 4-H member of the Starburst 4-H Club. She attends Carl Sandburg College and will eventually enroll at Southern Illinois University to study radiation therapy. Scholarship sponsor: Illinois 4-H Foundation.

Taylor Parks was involved with the Homespun 4-H Club of McLean County for 12 years. She is an English major at Illinois State University. Scholarship sponsor: Illinois 4-H Foundation.

Peter Prindiville was a 10-year member of the Crystal Clovers 4-H Club in McHenry County. He plans to pursue a career in which he can help to educate and impact peoples’ lives. Scholarship sponsor: Dorsey Dee Murray of St. Charles.

Since its inception in 2003, 43 4-H members have been named a Legacy of Leadership Scholar.

Help sponsor a Legacy of Leadership Scholar. E-mail us at: illinois4hfoundation@illinois.edu or call 217-333-9295.

Planning for 4-H’s Future at the National 4-H Conference

During the week of March 20, six Illinois teens became immersed in our federal government and 4-H program planning as they attended the 2010 National 4-H Conference in Chevy Chase, MD, and Washington, D.C. The Secretary’s Conference (so called because it is convened by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture) involves youth, volunteers, and Extension staff from across the United States, Puerto Rico, and Canada in discussions on issues related to youth development and future programming for 4-H.

The teen delegates were involved in citizenship excursions by learning the history of Washington, D.C. and its monuments and memorials. Workshops and leadership development sessions provided all attendees with educational experiences that last a lifetime. The Illinois delegation also explored the Newseum, the National Museum of Crime and Punishment, and the Library of Congress.

As part of the Conference program, delegates discussed the Illinois 4-H program, its funding sources and federal funding for the Cooperative Extension System while they visited legislators and staff on Capitol Hill. Delegates shared local, regional, and state level programming efforts and personal reflections on 4-H and its effect on their lives and communities.

A portion of the delegates’ funding for the trip was provided by the Emerson Scholl Memorial Fund.

Six teens represented Illinois at the 2010 National 4-H Conference held in Washington, D.C. in March. (left to right) Kristin Bishop, Logan County; Tanner Cessna, Effingham County; Allison Parks, McLean County; Rachaell Miller, DuPage County; Kaleb Medema, Whiteside County; and Haley Veach, Effingham County.
Annual Report on Giving

The Illinois 4-H Foundation would like to thank the many individuals, businesses, trade associations, and organizations that provide financial support for our 4-H programs. Your financial support is the reason we can continue to fund outstanding 4-H programs in Illinois that give our youth opportunities to grow, learn and succeed. The following contributions, each one important and appreciated, were made between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010.

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Gregory Hoke
Norman and Connie LaRue
Marjorie Lynn
Philip and Genie Marshall
John and Cathy McMillan
Leo Runser
Sheryl Voorhis
Judy Woodsdide

Paula Marie Peters
Grant Park, IL
April 2, 1938—July 15, 2008

Dean Peters

Max Rogler
Highland, IL
October 10, 1904—February 9, 1997

James and Jaqueline Barth

Normal Emil Schmitt
DeKalb, IL
January 18, 1930—January 25, 2009

Sally Schmitt
Jane and Robert Fairchild
Barbara Lohman

Gary Stater
Geff, IL
September 16, 1954—January 10, 2010

Wilbur and Dianne
Anthony
Kevin and Diane Baker
Phil and Barbara Barnett
Harlan Beckel
Dale and Sheila Beesom
James and Betty Beesom
Judy Bigman
Jane Bronson
Gary and Vicki Blessing
Casey Braddon
Norman and Beverly Bryant
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John Campion
Monte and Nancy
Carpenter
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Glendorn Casper
Dean and Doris Cates
Judy Cates
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Mary Curtier
Ray and Vonda Draper
Byron and Ruth Elliott
Raymond and Bev Fisher

Kenneth Flotter
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Don and Pat Frank
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Robert and Jeannine Frank
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Steve Frank
John and Sheryl Fulton
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Danny and Cindi Graham
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Jodi Koester
Angie Lampley
Kenneth and Angela Large
Denise Leggold
Annette States Levitt
Shelby Lynch
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Dick and Wanda McCann
Nolan and Lisa McKowen
Melinda Miller
William and Anita Million
Gary Mugraje
Mary Kay Munson
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Harold and Alene Robertson
Delbert and Becky Rodgers
Deanne Rodgers
Christopher and Banda Rowland
Jim and Brenda Rush
Kenney and Lee Samford
Kent Saxe
Philip Scheel
LaDean Scheuer
Sheri Seibold
Jay and Rhonda Shafter
Ray and Janel Shetton
Clay and Lisa Simpson
Curtis and Doris Simpson
Kimberly Spangler
Carl and Alta Spicer
Kent DeWayne and Teresa Stagg
Melinda States
Dale and Debra Stocker
Paul Stoddard
Rodney Stoll
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Stella Taft
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McGrew Taylor
Marilyn Thompson
Dale and Teresa Troyer
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William Million
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Businesses, Clubs, Foundations & Organizations

1st Farm Credit Services
Abbott Fund
Adar Farms
AFLAC – Buckley
Ag Resource Management, Inc.
AgReliant Genetics, LLC
Agricultural Insurance
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Albert K. Krause Family Trust
All Pets of Macomb PC
American Legion Gresham Post 603
Anderson Foundation
The Andersons, Inc.
Angel Services
Animal Medical Center of Macomb Ltd.
Archer Daniels Midland Company
Arens Bros LLC
Arnold Bros. Heating & Cooling, Inc.
Art City
Ashbrook Barnbusters
Ashkum Chargers 4H Club
Ashkum Go-Getters 4H Club
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Cloverbuds
Auctioneering Systems, Inc.
Baird Publishing
Balle Agri-Service
Bank of Modesto
Baubles, Bangles, and Beads
Handmade Jewelry

Beeler Farms
Behrends Farm & Home
Belco
Bellflower Feed Mill
Bergsneider, LLC
Berkat Super Foods
Berry's Processing
Best Supermarket
Big R of Springfield
Big R Stores
Biglham Farms
Birkey's Farm Store, Inc.
Blandinsville Veterinary Clinic
Boelte Consulting
The Boening Gift Matching Program
Bonnell and Dutenstein
Accountants, LLC
Borgic Farms, Inc.
Bork Family Trust
Bowman Farms
Brenfliinger Construction
Bric Partnership, LLC
Buckardt Family Trust
Buckley State Bank
Bureau Valley Visioncare
Burgener Plastering, Inc.
Busby Bank
Bushnell Locker Service II, Inc.
Bushnell Veterinary Service, PC
Calvary Preschool
Candle-Stick Lane Farm
Cargill, Inc.
Carnaby Square
Carthage Livestock, Inc.
Catch a Star Learning Center, Inc.
Caterpillar Foundation
Chandler Farms & Seed Sales
Christian County 4H Federation
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Cissna Park News
Citizens for Careen M. Gordon
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Citizens for Kelly Bauer
Citizens for Myers
Citizens National Bank of Macomb
Civilian Marksmanship Program
Clark County 4-H Foundation
Clark County 4-H Leaders
Clarksville Co-Eds 4-H Group
Claytonville 4-H Club
Clearfield Farm Registered Holstein Cattle
Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Clone Farms
Cloverdale Maidens 4H Club
Colfax County 4H Federation
Community Foundation of the Quincy Area
Comptroller-State of Illinois
Cowan Creek Sad Farms
COUNTRY Financial
Covenant Animal Clinic
Crab Production Services
Crap Tech Consulting, Inc.
CrossRoads Auto Sales
Cumberland County Clovers
Curts Appraisal & Real Estate Inc.
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Dale L Miller Family Pig Auction
Dan Jo Farms Inc.
Danforth Blue Ribbon 4-H & Cloverbuds
Danforth Blue Ribbon
Clower Club
Daryl Bollmer Farms
David Carroll, Inc.
Delores J. Quinn & James E.
Quinn Family Trust
Dickey-John Corporation
Dickemers Brothers, Inc.
Diversified Services, Inc.
Donovan Ag 4-H Club
Dove Tail Farm
Downs Top Notchers 4H Club
Dr. Jo's Pet Clinic
Duits Farms
Eastern Illinois Electric Cooperative
EC & JR Farms
Ellkive State Bank
The Enchanted Florist
Energy Education Council
Ernest G. Potter, Ltd. Certified
Public Accountant
Exelton
Fanning Farms
Farm Credit Services of Illinois
Farm King Supply, Inc.
Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Buskirk
Farmers Elevator Company of Siota
Farr Property Services Inc.
Federal Cartridge Company
Federal Premium Ammunition
Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund
First Bankers Trust
First National Bank
First National Bank of Brownstown
First National Bank of Steeleville
First State Bank of Illinois
Flora Veterinary Clinic
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Ford-Iquios Extension Office
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Francis Financial Designs
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The Geiger Group
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Gillins Oil Co.
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Golden Horse
Good Hope Fertilizer, Inc.
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Granny's Rag Rugs by Kay Hudson
Grant- Johnson Funeral Home, Inc.
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Gray Farm Productions Ltd.
GRC Horticulture Enterprises, Inc.
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Health's, Inc.
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IBM Matching Grants Program
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Illinois Association for Home and Community Education International Fund
Illinois Association of Junior High School Councils
Illinois Corn Marketing Board
Illinois Department of Agriculture
Illinois Extension Professionals for Youth Education
Illinois Farm Bureau
Illinois Grape Growers & Vintners Assoc.
Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists
Illinois Lamb & Wool Producers, Inc.
Illinois Pork Producers
Illinois Prairie Community Foundation, Inc.
Illinois Soybean Association
Illinois State Homemakers
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Irquios Memorial Hospital
JBS United Feeds, Inc.
Jenkins Trophy & Awards
Jenner Sports Corp.
Jerry Haynes Real Estate & Insurance
John Deere Foundation
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K & K Truck Plaza & Restaurant
Kankakee County Association for Home and Community Education
Keller Care Sales, LLC
Kentland Farms
Kenway Farm, Inc.
Knights Of Columbus 4173
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Nelson Farm Service  
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Nolande Farm  
Nolte Enterprises, Inc.  
Old Time Meat and Deli  
Shoppe  
Olsen Acres  
Operation Support Our Troops-Ill.  
Otter Creek Acres  
Owings Ag Service  
Oxford Enterprises Production Office  
Papineau Locker  
Patriot Bid Products Inc.  
Paul A. Funk Foundation  
Paulin Farm  
Paxton IGA  
Peachbud Properties, Inc.  
Peoples National Bank of Kewanee  
Perfume Acres, Inc.  
Pheasants Forever, Inc. Piatt County Chapter #487  
The Pig Patch  
Pitcher Farms  
Pioneer A DuPont Company  
Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.  
Ponderosa 4-H Club  
Prairie Farms Dairy, Inc.  
Prairie Fire 4-H Club  
Prairie Premium Ag Coalition  
Prairieland Quilts  
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Premier Cooperative, Inc.  
Price Rabbits  
Pro-Trade Printing  
Purdum Gray Ingledue, Inc.  
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Raritan State Bank  
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Red Barn Farm  
Renaissance Architects, Inc.  
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Rollie T. Ranch  
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Ropp Jersey Cheese, LLC  
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Spectrum Technologies, Inc.  
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State Bank of Arthur  
State Bank of Davis  
State Bank of Industry  
State Bank of Toulon  
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The Illinois 4-H Foundation came one step closer to creating a 4-H specialty license plate when Illinois Governor Pat Quinn signed legislation officially endorsing the plate on August 20.

**Now we need your help!**

**Next step:** 1,500 people (the minimum set forth by the Secretary of State’s Office) need to fill out a simple form available online at [http://4hfoundation.illinois.edu/licenseplateinfo](http://4hfoundation.illinois.edu/licenseplateinfo) and mail it, along with $25, to the Secretary of State’s office.

**NOTE**

Those who help us reach the 1,500 minimum by filling out the form and mailing in the $25 will not be obligated to purchase the plate upon its release.

So, even if you do not want the license plate, but love 4-H, fill out the form and mail in your check to help us get to 1,500!

The $25 is non-refundable and non-tax deductible, yet will go toward supporting Illinois 4-H programs across the state.

After 1,500 requests have been received, production of the 4-H plate will begin, and supporters will be notified when the plate becomes available.

“This license plate will not only give more visibility to the 4-H organization, but also serve as an ongoing fundraiser for Illinois 4-H youth programs,” said Angie Barnard, director of the Illinois 4-H Foundation.

Proceeds from the purchase of the each plate will benefit the 4-H program across the state.