



# —THE CENTRAL ILLINOIS— Connection Center

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## Chatsworth Community Garden with the Boys and Girls Club of Prairie Central

Thanks to Jim Diller providing a plot of ground, the Boys and Girls Club of Prairie Central will be planting and maintaining a community garden. The students will be responsible for planting, watering (if needed!), weeding, and harvesting.

Once harvested the youth will be responsible for distributing and marketing their product.

The Town tilled the garden spot for the Club, and as you can see in the picture on the right, the garden has been form with raised beds to help with the maintenance. (This picture was taken prior to the rains. Not sure what it looks like now!)

What will the youth decide to plant?!

Maybe we can report that in the next newsletter. Right now they are in the planning stages. What fun!

The Boys and Girls Club is accepting donations for this project and welcome any gardeners to come out and take a look and/or give them a hand!

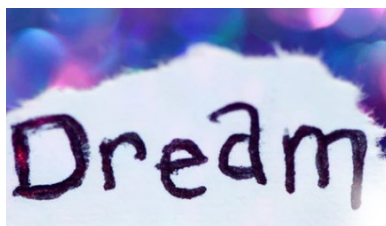


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## Summer Program

**Building Future Leaders** program is a summer entrepreneurship program for ages 14-18 at the Connection Center. This 140-hour course is to help our young people uncover their life and career dreams. The goal is to show them the potential business and career opportunities which are available in our communities with the hope that some will stay in the area, starting their own businesses and/or managing or buying existing ones.

Offering flexibility with classroom hours, the class includes creating a class business, hosting events, making presentations, raising funds, learning from guest speakers and tours from area businesses. Students will develop skills in problem-solving, teamwork, self-motivation, responsibility and communication.



This is an opportunity for your child or grandchild to receive professional, real-life experience & instruction about business and entrepreneurship without any cost to you. If you know a teen that may be interested please have them signup!

For application forms go to Programs at [CentralIllinoisConnection.com](http://CentralIllinoisConnection.com)

# Crafts for May



**May 6 - 11**

## A Card for Mom!

Add special note for Mom inside an upcycled calendar envelope!



**May 13 - 18**

## Lady Bugs Rock!

These Lady Bugs will be right at home in your rock garden!



**May 20 - 25**

## Let's get Slimed!

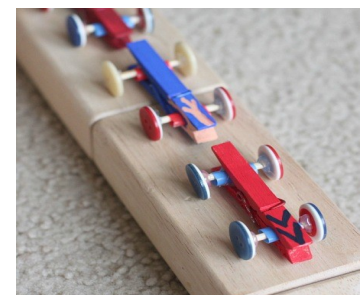
Stretch it, squeeze it, keep it! Add glitter, bugs, pompoms...



**May 27 - June 1**

## Off to the Races!

Vroom...race across the Connection Center with these clothes pin cars...will your car win?



# Volunteers! We appreciate you very much!

MON 29	TUE 30	WED May 1	THU 2	FRI 3	SAT 4
Ed & Carol S	Jeanne W Sharon B ● 10am Uoffl Extension Group in morni	Donna DM	Helen B	Mary Etta M	Helen V
6	7	8	9	10	11
Dave & Cathy W ● 10am Chatsworth Primary East	Futures Cleaning Crew - 10am Kathy Br	Teresa T ● 1:30pm Chatsworth Primary East	Lillian R Mary Catherine C	Mary Etta M ● 10am Chatsworth Primary East	Donna R Helen V
13	14	15	16	17	18
Pam S	Luci H	Mary Catherine C	Helen B-NOT Jim F 10-12 Shirley M - 12-3 Virginia F 10-12	Mary Etta M	Helen V
20	21	22	23	24	25
Dave & Cathy W	Kathy Br	Joan S	Kathy BW Lillian R	Mary Etta M	Helen V
27	28	29	30	31	Jun 1
Helen V Memorial Day	Mary Catherine C	Anita B	Helen B Lillian-NOT Virginia F	Mary Etta M-NOT	Helen V

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