Congressman John Shimkus visits University of Illinois Extension-Unit 27

October 16th 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

Good event today – the Congressman visited for an hour…eating lunch and watching presentation of Extension work in Unit 27. Teens as Teachers were the obvious hit! We talked a lot about the Extension Initiatives, specifically the DILP (Fablab) program, and how the teens are helping teach summer camps. Congressman Shimkus was glad to report his visit with President Killeen.

This Facebook post was made by Mr. Josh Stafford, Vienna High Schools Superintendent, who is VERY supportive in working with us by using the schools facilities at no-charge, to releasing the kids for Teen Trainings at Shawnee Community College. Bart Pulliam is the Industrial Arts teacher, and 4-H volunteer, who guides the youth through programming. Bart and the high-school were key-sponsors of the on-campus training in May 2015.

Joshua W. Stafford with Bart Pulliam and 5 others at Vienna High School

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Our Vienna High School Fab Lab students are meeting with Congressman John Shimkus at the University of Illinois Extension office today demonstrating 3D printing and fabrication. Much thanks to Jody Johnson and Kristi Bierbaum Stout for all of their work! #viennaeagles

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Kristi Bierbaum Stout, Mandy Cooper Huckleberry, Brian Bailey and 20 others like this.

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Kristi Bierbaum Stout Glad to work with such a wonderful group of kids!! Today the teen teachers did exactly what I knew they could....you created and led a presentation to a congressman!! You made my job easy and your work shined! I'm proud of each one of you!! Thanks!

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Jody Johnson Thank you, and all the Vienna High School community for being such a supporter of the Teens as Teachers program!! Lets keep providing learning experiences and opportunities for our youth to shine!

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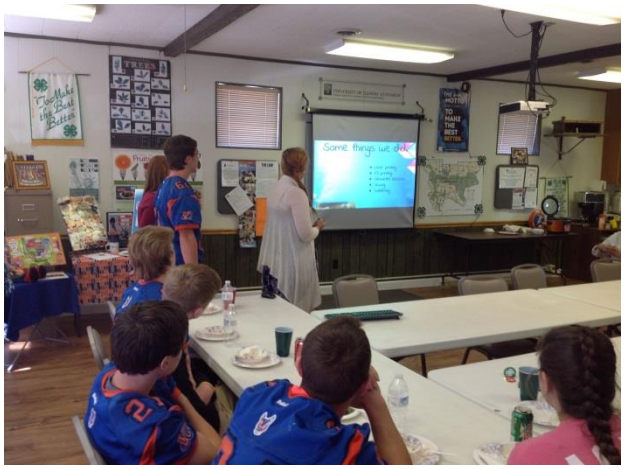
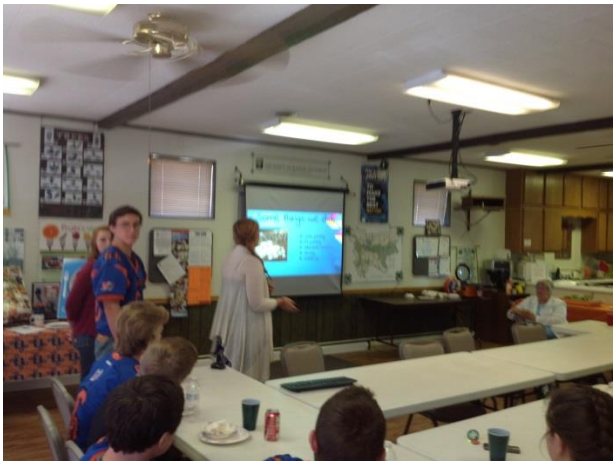
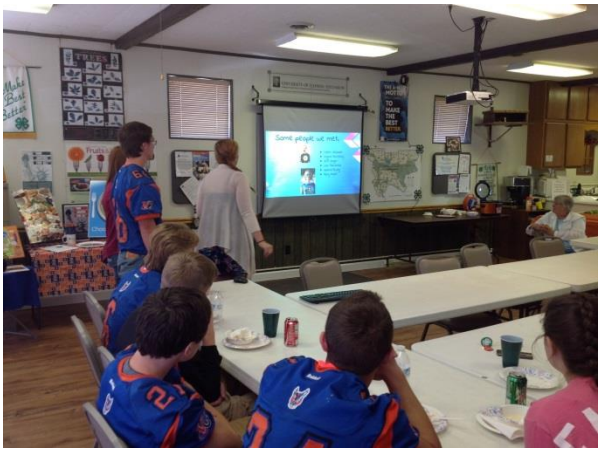
Shawnee College V-P of Instruction was on-hand to see/hear the presentations; along with John Summers, the High School board chair. Several of our HCE units were represented and other community members came to welcome the Congressman to Vienna.

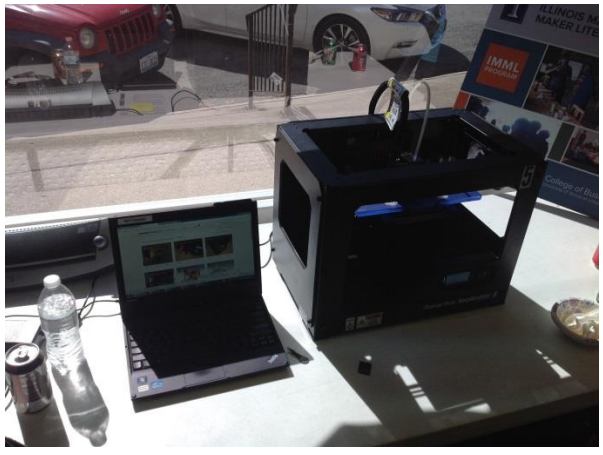
One community member brought up the federal government situation, and the likelihood of a 'government shutdown'…the Congressman responded saying "We don't want to see it [Federal Govt] shut-down". By the time this question/response occurred, everyone was up-walking around and concluding.

Below are more photos of the event…









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