



MARCH/APRIL 2011 NEWSLETTER

Swine Weigh In

Swine Weigh-in for 2011 Lee County Fair

March 12, 2011

9:00 am – 11:00 am

Lee County Fairgrounds Show Barn

All swine exhibitors who are weighing in swine will weigh-in on the south-end of the show barn. If that's the warmest end that day!

Please bring your pigs to the weigh-in site bedded and dry. This will make it easier for the superintendents doing the weighing. Ear tags are \$2 each and an exhibitor may weigh-in a maximum of 10 pigs with maximum weight at 45 lbs. Over 45lbs and not over 50lbs, you may have the option of being in Market Class. This year we will be weighing on new digital scales. Tags may be purchased the day of weigh-in; the exhibitor or parent will be responsible for filling out, recording weights and signing the weigh-in form. *Weigh-in for state fair pigs is April 27th Lee County Fairgrounds, 4:00-6:00 pm.*

3 on 3 Tournament

Sunday March 20, 2011

Time: 1:00pm

Cost: \$20.00 for a team of 4

Holy Trinity Catholic High School

The Teen County Council is hosting a 3 on 3 tournament for all 4-H members. Get your team together for an afternoon of fun. Prizes will be awarded for the winners in each age group. Divisions for age groups are junior, intermediate and seniors. Each team consists of 4 people. Rules and sign up sheets for your team are included with this newsletter. Have your registrations and payment back to the Lee County Extension Office by Friday March 11, 2011

The Teen County Council is raising awareness for the local food pantry so your family admission to this event is any can goods they would like to donate or even a cash donation would be greatly appreciated.

Concessions will be available thru out the afternoon.

4-H
GROWING TOGETHER

Cathy Holtkamp

LEE COUNTY EXTENSION

County Youth Coordinator

choltka@iastate.edu

319-835-5116

www.extension.iastate.edu/lee

Enchilada Fundraiser

Enchilada Fundraiser

Saturday March 26, 2011

Time: 9:00am

Youth Learning Center-Fair Grounds

A Great way to raise money for our 4-H dues. Take orders for the enchiladas from your family, friends and neighbors. All Lee County clubs will be working together to fill orders. A time schedule and workers list will be made available to each club when it comes time to fill the orders. Make sure you get out and sell those Enchiladas; they taste great especially when made by you - our 4-H members.

Orders due March 20, 2011

Please collect money at the time of the order.

Cheese--\$15.00 Beef--\$18.00 for a dozen of great tasting Enchiladas. Order forms included with newsletter. Give each a buyer a reminder card, included with newsletter, too.

Rural Youth Loans

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency (FSA) makes operating loans to individual rural youths age 10 through 20 to establish and operate income-producing project. These projects must be of modest size and be initiated, developed, and carried out by rural youths participating in 4-H clubs, FFA or similar organization, or with a vocational teacher or county extension director. Applications are available by calling 319-293-3178

Iowa State Fair

4-H eligibility for exhibiting at the 2011

Iowa State Fair will be for 4-H'ers who will have completed 5th grade through 12th grade.

Livestock and horticulture entries are due July 1st.

State fair dates are August 11-21.

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
University Extension



Honor Show Chow Cattle Fitting Clinic

Sunday April 3, 2011
Cedar County Fairgrounds
Tipton, IA

The Tipton FFA Chapter is hosting a cattle fitting clinic. This is offered to our 4-H members in our county. They have invited Bobby May, one of the most noted show cattle fitter in the US for this free event. Learn skills needed to put the "competitive edge" on your side. Take in the free demo and learn proven techniques.

If you have questions please contact the Tipton FFA by calling Amy Lutz (a past Lee County 4-H'er) (563) 886-6027 School or (319) 931-1322 cell or email amy.lutz@tipton.k12.ia.us

Food Safety Quality Assurance

April 7 - 6:00pm to 8:00pm
Pre-Register by April 1, 2011

Food Safety Quality Assurance is important to 4-H'ers enrolled in livestock projects. Iowa 4-H members enrolled in livestock projects produce about 17 million pounds of meat, along with poultry and dairy products. Because the meat goes to the public to be consumed, it is essential for livestock exhibitors to do the best job they can to be sure it is safe and wholesome to eat. The goal of this program is to help 4-H'ers better understand what they can do to produce the safest food possible.

All 4-H swine exhibitors will be required to be certified to:

*sell pigs

*exhibit swine at the county and state fair

Any 4-H'er planning to exhibit beef, swine, dairy cattle, goats (meat or dairy), sheep, rabbits and poultry at the Iowa State Fair will need to complete the Food Safety Quality Assurance Certification.

Certification meeting **April 7th from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Extension office. Members needing to attend this meeting please call the office to pre-register by April 1st.** We really need to know how many will be attending for room space so please call. All county swine exhibitors must have a Premise ID#. This is required for any swine going to Tyson! If you have any questions please call.

If you are 12-18 years old. Please consider taking the test. This is a good way for you to get certification for multiple years and not have to attend every year.

ATTENTION INTERMEDIATE 4-H'ERS!

Are you a 4-H member currently in 7th – 9th grade? Are you looking for a vacation this summer? Look no further...an opportunity of a lifetime awaits you! 4-H'ers from Des Moines, Henry, Lee, and Louisa Counties are invited to join together to take a fun-filled bus trip to Chicago, Illinois June 8-9, 2011! The first day of the trip will begin with a visit to the Field Museum to see "Sue," the most complete Tyrannosaurus Rex. You will attend a Medieval Times dinner theater where you will be entertained by knights in armor, clashing on live horses in a jousting tournament while feasting like kings and queens. On the second day, you will have the chance to visit the Shedd Aquarium museum, and will end your visit with free time to explore Navy Pier and go on a Skyline Boat Tour of Chicago. The trip will cost \$200.00 per delegate. This includes transportation, t-shirt, lodging, and event entrance fees. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to make new friends and have a fun vacation in the summer of 2011! Applications and payments are due to Lee County Extension by April 29th.

2011 IOWA 4-H YOUTH CONFERENCE

Every June, over 1000 teenagers converge on the campus of Iowa State University for 3 days full of speakers, workshops, mixers, dances, a banquet, and community service activities.

If you've completed 8th grade, you're eligible to attend.

You don't even have to be in 4-H to attend this conference! You will get to experience campus life, and meet new people from across the state! You will be having fun while learning by doing, dancing the nights away, and serving the community. You will get to learn new things to take back to your community and school, and in the process you might even discover something new about yourself! There are opportunities for you to share your talents with the rest of the delegation through small group discussion, the Conference Chorus, and a Talent Show

If you have a specific interest in either animal





science or crop production, you might want to look into becoming part of the ROUND-UP or CSI: Crops tracks

Please join us in June for the most incredible three days of your life at the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference. So, pack your bags and have a great time at the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference. For registration information contact the Lee County Extension office

Fort Madison FFA Beef Classic

This sanctioned IJBBA steer and heifer show will take place April 3rd at the Lee County fairgrounds. Check-in is from 7:30 am – 10:30 am and the show will begin at 12:00 noon.

COUNTY FAIR AGE POLICY

Only club members who have completed grade 4 at fair time are eligible to show livestock at the county fair. Members in grade 3, called pre-4-H'ers, are invited to participate in all other club and community activities. Pre-4-H'ers are allowed to bring 4 projects to the 4-H Exhibit Entry Day for exhibit evaluation on July 6th

Scholarships & Awards

Lee County Fair Scholarship for 2011 is available through your school guidance counselor's office. The Lee County Fair Board will award several \$500 scholarships this spring.

Iowa Foundation for Agriculture – Winners Circle Scholarships – for incoming freshman in the fall of 2011 at any four or two year post-secondary institution in Iowa. Due 5/1/10.

Scholarship list,

www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/Documents/Public2011FAAScholarshipListIncomingFreshman.pdf

Scholarship application

www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/Documents/Public2011FAAScholarshipApplicationIncomingFreshman.pdf

The Dwight Krebill Family gives a Doug Krebill Memorial Scholarship at the fair. Deadline – June 15th. The scholarship is for \$100. Pick up application at the Lee County Extension office.

2011 Iowa Beef Heifer Award – given at the Iowa State Fair. Must exhibit a beef animal at the state fair.

Important Dates

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| March 12 th | Swine Weigh-in |
| March 20 th | 3 on 3 tournament, Enchilada orders due (hand in at tournament) |
| March 21 st | Leaders Meeting, 7:00pm at the Youth Center |
| March 26 th | Enchilada Fundraiser 9:00am |
| April 7 th | FSQA Certification Class 6-8 pm |
| April 27 th | State Fair Swine Weigh -in |
| April 29 th | State Fair Sheep Weigh-in |
| April 30 th | Sheep Weigh-in |
| May 16 th | Livestock ID's due |
| June 8-9 | Intermediate Trip to Chicago |
| June 21 st | Fashion & Communications Day Livestock & Art Hall entries due- Lee Co. Fair |
| June ?? | Fair Clean-up |
| June 28-30 | Iowa 4-H Youth Conference |
| July 1st | State Fair Entries due. |
| July 5th | 4-H Exhibit Entry Day |
| July 6-10 | Lee County Fair |
| July 11 th | Jr. Livestock Auction |
| August 11-21 | Iowa State Fair |

"Nothing Compares"





ARIAL NARROW. 10 PT. CAPS

Story Headline Here (Arial Narrow, Bold, 24pt)

Arial Regular, 10 pt, black

Linked text box.

Use 2 – 3 columns for stories. No 1 column stories.

FRIENDLY REMINDER:

The gray boxes are just so you can see where the text boxes are at. Don't forget to unfill them and turn them white.

ARIAL NARROW. 10 PT. CAPS

Story Headline Here (Arial Narrow, Bold, 24pt)

Arial Regular, 10 pt, black

Linked text box.

Use 2 – 3 columns for stories. No 1 column stories.

ARIAL NARROW. 10 PT. CAPS

Story Headline Here (Arial Narrow, Bold, 24pt)

Arial Regular, 10 pt, black

Linked text box.

Use 2 – 3 columns for stories. No 1 column stories.

4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE,
AND MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.



Project Updates / Calendar (Arial Narrow, Bold, 24pt)

ARIAL NARROW, 10 PT. CAPS

Arial Regular, 10 pt, black

FRIENDLY REMINDER:

The gray boxes are just so you can see where the text boxes are at. Don't forget to unfill them and turn them white.

ARIAL NARROW, 10 PT. CAPS

Arial Regular, 10 pt, black

ARIAL NARROW, 10 PT. CAPS

Arial Regular, 10 pt, black

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

FIND US AT: EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/4H/LEE