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4-H is part of the Iowa State University Extension Service bringing research based education and information to the citizens of Iowa in the areas of agriculture and natural resources, families, youth, communities, and business and industry.

### Dates to Remember

- July 15** 4-H Ambassadors Initial Meeting, 7 p.m., Extension office
- July 18** Teen Council mtg. 3:30 pm, Learning Center
- July 18** Fair Clean Up 5:00 pm
- July 18** Food Stand training 6:30 pm, Learning Center
- July 18** Club booth decorating 7:00 pm, Kinney 4-H Building
- July 21** 4-H Exhibit Entry Day at the Kinney 4-H Building, Clothing Selection/Fashion Revue at the Learning Center
- July 21** Little Olympics (weigh in 4:30 pm)
- July 21** 4-H family picnic, loafing shed, follows Olympics
- July 23-27** North Iowa Fair
- July 23** Horse Novelty Show 6:00 pm, Indoor Arena
- July 24** Drill Team performs 8:00 pm, Indoor Arena
- August 3** Record Book Workshop 4 pm, Extension Office
- August 7-17** Iowa State Fair

Dear 4-H members, families, and leaders,

The countdown to fair has begun! In this newsletter, there are many important updates and fair news for 4-H families. Please read carefully for any changes in your project areas, and as always, call or stop by the office if you have any questions about fair entries.

We also have T-shirts available for sale in the office, in white and green, and gray sweatshirts as well. This is the last year for the 4-H splash logo, so if you want a shirt, pick one up early.

*Alison Roe*

County Youth Coordinator

## Fair Clean Up Night

Fair clean up will be held at 5pm on Friday July 18. All 4-Hers are expected to attend, and help us get ready for fair. In addition to setting up stalls and pens in the barns, cleaning the Kinney Building, and Learning Center, we will be having a 4-H Food Stand orientation for all workers (leaders, parents, and 4-H members) at 6:30 pm in the learning center. Refreshments will be provided. The Kinney Building will be open for clubs to begin their Club booth set up after the food Stand orientation until 8pm. All Club booths must be complete by 3pm on Monday. No one will be admitted on Tuesday, as State Fair exhibits will be placed at that time.



## Food Stand Schedule:

EVERYONE please check with your club leaders for food stand schedules. The decision has been made regarding pies/bars needed for club shifts. **Each club will be responsible for two pans of bars and four pies per shift.**

Also, like previous years each club will be responsible for providing two adults and six-eight 4-Her's.

Remember, the money earned at the 4-H food Stand benefits 4-H members in many ways. Without our food Stand, and 4-H foundation, camps, conferences, and special events would not happen! Please help out, and encourage your family members to patronize our food Stand during fair!



## 4-H Exhibit building Judging Times

8:30 – 11:00 a.m.

M.C. Challengers

Lakes Ambitious Feeders

Portland Community Springers

Lincoln Peppy Pals

F.V.F/ Grant L.W.

G.H./R.R.R.

Thornton Farmhands

12:45- 3 p.m.

Bits & Spurs

C.C. Riders

Ventura Hustlers

Grimes V.I.P.s

Rockwell BB's

C'ville Wildcats

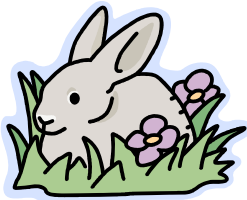
These are the times that have been set for club members to have their 4-H exhibits judged. If this time does not work for individual club members they may come at a different time. Remember Clothing Selection, Fashion Revue, and the \$15 Challenge are judged in the morning, (9AM-approx. 11AM) for ALL 4-Her's, in the Learning Center. Forms needed for exhibit building entries are found in the back of your fairbook. Please call or stop by the office if you do not have a fairbook, or if you would like entry tags, t-shirts, or armbands prior to fair.

## Horse Novelty Show Update

Due to popular demand, the horse novelty show has been reinstated for this year's fair. The novelty show will be held on Wednesday at 6pm, in the Indoor Arena. If you are interested in participating, please call Lisa Canedo at (641)-423-5084, by July 18.

## Rabbit Meeting

There will be an informational rabbit meeting for 4-Hers on July 14th from 6-8pm in the loafing shed, fair changes will be discussed. Rabbits are welcome, as long as they are brought in cages! You don't want to miss this meeting!



## Clover Kids Bunny Show

A Clover Kids bunny show will be held as part of the Rabbit Show this year. The show will be between the meat and fancy rabbit show. Only one rabbit per Clover Kid, please (grades K-3).

## Poultry and Rabbit Check-In

The 4-H Youth Development Committee has approved that rabbit and poultry projects may be checked in on Thursday morning. These projects must be on grounds before noon on Thursday, unless written permission has been requested for an exception. 4-Hers are still welcome to check in rabbit and poultry projects on Wednesday.

## Attention Sheep Exhibitors:

Gary Lumley will be at the North Iowa Fair Grounds at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 23 to shear your show lambs. If you would like your lambs clipped by Gary please be at the grounds. If you would like to arrange another time on a different day you can contact Gary directly. His contact information is:

Gary Lumley  
1332 390<sup>th</sup> St  
Osage, IA 50461  
641-736-2116

The charge for this service is \$5 per head.



## 4-H Ambassadors to Organize July 15

More people need to know about 4-H and you can help. Become a Cerro Gordo 4-H Ambassador. The Ambassadors will meet at **7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 15 at the Extension office**. You will learn how to provide an interview to television, radio and/or newspaper. Staff members from the local television, radio and newspaper are tentatively scheduled to be on hand to train you in providing a good interview. This will be a great opportunity for you to learn how to communicate with the media and promote 4-H at the same time. During County Fair time there are many opportunities to use this skill. We will also discuss other potential advantages of being a Cerro Gordo 4-H Ambassador. Please plan to attend this important meeting. Please contact Gary Hall for more information, [garyhall@iastate.edu](mailto:garyhall@iastate.edu).

## Recycling Project

Like previous years, Waste Management has agreed to allow the Teen Council to host the paper recycling dumpster at the Fairgrounds. Bring all your cardboard, paper, newspaper, phone books, catalogs, and old books in to recycle! The money earned (\$15 per ton) is used by the Teen Council for youth activities and charitable giving in Cerro Gordo County. Last year, Teen Council members purchased gifts for Toys for Tots, and the recycled bench outside of the learning Center with proceeds from the recycling project. The dumpster will be placed near the Learning Center, and anyone may dump their paper recycling in it.



## Shooting Sports Workshop

The Shooting Sports Workshop, hosted by Dave and Lori Wickman, was a success! Eleven 4-Her's participated and did a great job. We will be holding another workshop and informational meeting before fall, so we can get our Shooting Sports project off the ground. Watch the August newsletter for more details.

Thanks to the Cerro Gordo 4-H Foundation for sponsoring this event!

## Communications Participants

Congratulations State fair participants! Colin Sido and Brittany Jurgemeyer will be presenting at State Fair on August 11th in the morning. Jenna and Tim Smith will be presenting a working exhibit on August 15th in the afternoon.

## Families Interested in Horse Events

Due to the volume of information I receive about various horse events in our area and statewide, I am starting an email distribution list to increase 4-H families' knowledge of these events. Please email me at [aroe@iastate.edu](mailto:aroe@iastate.edu) and I will add you to this list. Some of the information that I receive is time sensitive, so email addresses will help get this information to everyone who wants it as soon as possible.

## Challenge Classes

4-Her's Check the back of your Fairbook for the 2008 Challenge Classes! This year we are showcasing recycled denim, baking and photography challenges. Specific rules are found on pages 61-63 of the 4-H Fairbook. These Challenges are to be checked in with Exhibit Building projects on Monday July 21.

## Youth Conference

Cerro Gordo County was represented at Youth Conference with 11 4-Her's this year! We had one member of the Tech Team, and another on State Council. Great job, guys!

