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Fair – The Lyon County Fair Theme for 2009, July 13-16 is Voyage to Greatness! Communications/Clothing Event will be Tuesday, July 7 at 6:00 pm (clothing) & 6:30 for communications. Non-livestock judging will be Thursday, July 9 & Fair Schedule is:
Monday –13th

9:00 – Horticulture Judging
12:30 - Bucket Calf Interviews
1:00 - Pet Show
3:00 Bucket Calf Show
5:00 - Rabbit Show

Tuesday –14th

9:00 - Dairy
9:00 - Horse
3:00 - Sheep/Goat

Wednesday – 15th

8:00- Beef
12:30 - Poultry
2:30 Horse

Thursday- 16th

8:00 – Swine

**Swine Scanning is at 9:00 am on Tuesday*

Exhibitors must be present for scanning, or their animals will not be scanned unless they let extension staff know Monday morning of fair and fill out a form with the animal numbers that are to be scanned.

**Swine tattooing will be on Wednesday morning.*

It would also make the tattooing process easier for Extension staff if siblings kept their pigs in

the same pen versus cousins, so that we get the correct information. *It would be very helpful if the kids are at their pen during tattooing (if you aren't showing beef).*

Pet Care Booklets - Need to be in to the Extension Office by Monday, July 6th!

Broiler Booklets – Don't forget to bring your completed booklet to the Fair Monday July 13 to turn in at the Fair Extension office.

Swine & **B**eef Management

Forms –Iowa 4-H Animal Care and Management Statement that you would put medication withdrawal times on is due by July 6th. They were sent to you by mail.



County Council Info

County Council needs to be at the Forster Community Building on July 6th at 1 pm. We will clean the food stand following cooking at the Foster Building. Please let Katie know your intentions to come. We will need helpers during static judging day on July 9th, please let Katie know if you can help with this also.

Bottle/ Bucket Calf - Your records are due on July 6th to the Extension office. (One week before fair) The judging will include an individual four-minute interview with the judge on Monday the 13th. The interviews will be held in the VIP building, bottom office.

INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

12:30 p.m.	CJ Van Der Zwaag
12:34 p.m.	Noah Blankespoor
12:38 p.m.	Tarah Meyer
12:42 p.m.	Mitchell TeSlaa
12:46 p.m.	Brett Van Roekel
12:50 p.m.	Jonathan Van Veldhuizen
12:54 p.m.	Cody Holz
12:58 p.m.	Morgan Hoogendoorn
1:02 p.m.	Katie Klingensmith
1:06 p.m.	Cade Knobloch
1:10 p.m.	Madeline Meyer
1:14 p.m.	Heather Moser
1:18 p.m.	Grace Rens
1:22 p.m.	Tate Blankespoor
1:26 p.m.	Darin Knobloch
1:30 p.m.	Mark Maassen
1:34 p.m.	Toby Metzger
1:38 p.m.	Jessica Meyer
1:42 p.m.	Wyatt Monen
1:46 p.m.	Ashley Pollema
1:50 p.m.	Lane TeSlaa
1:54 p.m.	Rebecca Harberts
1:58 pm	Brianna Van Veldhuizen
2:02 pm	Torri Van Beek
2:06 pm	Mia Graham
2:10 pm	Isaac Heyer
2:14 pm	Tiffany Van Beek
2:18 pm	Alex Kooistra
2:22 pm	Darren Blauwet
2:26 pm	Tessa Van Beek

This is a tentative schedule. If you are not on this interview schedule, please contact the Extension Office and we will assign an interview time.

Horse Information – ASTM/SEI

approved protective headgear with chin strap and properly fitted harness is required when mounted and riding and driving a horse on the fair grounds.

Dress Code for Showring 4-H'ers

will wear the recommended attire of a 4-H or FFA shirts or white shirt, dark jeans (dairy exhibitors should wear white pants), and hard soled shoes/boots (safety issue) when exhibiting or judge will be able to lower your ribbon placing.

Poultry Projects must be

pullorum free. Bring a certificate from the hatchery you purchased from stating you purchased from a pullorum free herd or a certificate from your vet indicating a negative test for pullorum, if you have a broiler project from the extension office your animals are taken care of. Please bring to the Extension office by July 6th. Refer to the Health requirements on p. 3 of the fair book for more details.

Herdsmanship - All exhibitors are

expected to practice good herdsmanship while their projects are on exhibition. All stalls should be cleaned regularly and all animals should have food and water available. Practice good herdsmanship all the time. Be kind and helpful to the public walking through the barns looking at YOUR projects. **Your projects will be judged & the top 3 clubs/chapters who win the herdsmanship contest will receive cash prizes after the fair.**

B **eef Message** - To all exhibitors with beef projects, bring \$4.00 for scanning with you when you bring your cattle through the weigh/scan station.

B **ooth Judging** - The County Council members will once again judge the 4-H exhibit booths. The theme for this year's booths is "Voyage to Greatness". The prize is \$25.00 for first and \$15.00 for second place.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

- § Animals showing evidence of warts, ringworm, foot rot, pink eye, draining abscesses or other contagious or infectious conditions will be eliminated from the show.
- § All swine projects will be sent to market. No swine project may be removed or taken home unless released by the official veterinarian under state livestock health rules. Sending an animal to slaughter with a residue of any tranquilizer is a violation of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.
- § **Decisions of the official fair veterinarian are final.**

B **ooth Decorating-**

The 4-H Exhibit building at the fairgrounds will be open on Wednesday afternoon July 8th from 4:30-6:00 pm for clubs that would like to decorate or partially decorate their 4-H booths the day before static judging.

M **eat Animal Evaluation Contest -**

Please turn in your estimates on 12th Rib Back Fat, Rib Eye Area, Quality Grade, & Yield Grade to the Fair Extension Office or the Beef Superintendents *before* scanning your animal on Monday of fair. You just need to choose one of your beef animals to evaluate.

S **wine Derby Contest** - Derby exhibitors can participate in an evaluation contest by estimating the fat thickness, loin eye area, and percent lean on one of their gilts or barrows. *Forms were mailed out with medication withdrawal forms and need to be turned in to the Extension Office before scanning your animal Tuesday morning of fair.* Don't forget to thank the Pork Producers for the fabulous incentives that they will be providing!

S **tate Fair Exhibits** - If your static exhibit is selected to go to the State Fair, please pick up an envelope from the State Fair Booth. State fair items must be packed, each piece labeled and to the Extension Office by **Friday August 7th at 9 am**. Food items will be due **Monday August 10th, by 9am**. We will only transport small items.

C **ONFERENCE JUDGING** - Please note the approximate judging times below for July 9th at the Entertainment building at the fairgrounds.

8:15 – 10:00 a.m.	Lester Friendly 4-Hers, CALL Lyon 4-H, Alvord Hawkeyes
10:00 – 12:00	Town & Country Kids, Elgin Stars, Happy Rockies
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.	Lucky Horseshoes, Larchwood Eagles, Clever Clovers, Country Kids, United Clovers

We could use your help **writing comments** on Static judging day. This is a great opportunity to learn what the judges are looking for in various areas. Please call the office if you would be willing to assist all or part of the day. Thanks!

Volunteers needed at Fair

** Static (non-livestock) judging at fairgrounds-
Thursday July 9th am or pm as a note taker for judges as they judge projects and interview the 4-Hers, we feed you a free lunch!

*Set up the state fair/outstanding junior exhibit booth (Thursday late afternoon July 10th or Friday July 11th- 4-H exhibit building)

***Tuesday July 14th** after dairy show-show ring to set up crates for sheep show (for pen of 3 market sheep) and take down afterwards

* **Tuesday July 14th** 9 AM Swine scanning in swine barn-help Lora and Jill

***Wednesday July 15th** Wednesday morning-swine tattooing help Lora & Jill

Reminder Static Exhibit Entry Tags

White Entry tags are for 5th-12th graders who want to exhibit in a class that is state fair eligible. 5th & 6th graders who enter a state fair class will not be eligible for outstanding junior awards; they must be entered in a junior class to be eligible for outstanding junior.

Yellow Entry tags are for 4th graders (who aren't eligible for State Fair) & 5-6th graders who choose not to enter in a state fair class.

Ak-Sar-Ben Entries Due

Ak-Sar-ben Entries are due to the Extension Office by August 7th.

Design Elements - Don't forget to discuss art principles and design elements in your goal card for visual art, home improvement, clothing, or photography projects. For more information, please contact the Extension Office.

EXHIBIT BUILDING WATCH

4-H Clubs let me know by July 1st when you will do your shift!

Monday, July 13

12 noon to 2pm – Elgin Stars
2pm to 4pm - CALL Lyon 4H
4pm to 6pm - Lucky Horseshoes
6pm to 8pm – Lester Friendly 4-Hers
8pm to 10pm – Town & country Kids

Tuesday, July 14

12 noon to 2pm–Country Kids/ Happy Rockies
2pm to 4pm – United Clovers
4pm to 6 pm - Lucky Horseshoes
6pm to 8pm – Clever Clovers
8pm to 10pm – _____

Wednesday, July 15

12 noon to 2pm - _____
2pm to 4pm - _____
4pm to 6pm - Clever Clovers
6pm to 8pm - _____
8pm to 10pm - _____

** The reason for a building watch is to greet the general public, help answer questions and to provide a level of security for your exhibits on display. Host pins will be provided to wear on your shift, if you would like.

4-H Food Stand, Signup for a time

4-Hers that have completed 6th grade and older should sign up for a time to work in the 4-H Food Stand during the fair. Your 4-H leader has a sign up sheet, or call the extension office and ask to see what times need to be filled.

The Important things are not Ribbons (submitted by a parent in Lyon County)

There once was a boy won ribbons, mostly blue
Came home from the fair with a big trophy too.
With a voice glad and proud He said to his dad
“tis the very best year that I’ve ever had”

Said the very wise Dad, “Son, I’d like to hear,
why you think that this was such a very fine year.”
“Why Dad, you well know all the prizes I’ve won,
how I’ve come out on top in most things I’ve done.

“Just look at the ribbons that hang on my wall,
and think of the money I’ve made since last fall.
From premium checks and a big auction price
you can’t help but think cash and ribbons are nice.”

“Patience you’ve learned in your projects too,
As well as your skills that will always help you.”
“You’ve learned the fine felling it gives you to lend
a glad helping hand to a stranger or friend
“You’ve learned to cooperate with majority rule,
to give in with grace and not be a fool, who must
always have his very own way, be in club work in
school or play.”

But the man said, “ My son you’re not thinking right,
Blue ribbons, ‘tis true are better than white;
But ribbons will fade and trophies grow old,
money’s soon spent and fame soon grows cold.”

“The important things, son, are not ribbons or pins,
and sometimes it’s really the loser who wins,
now here are the things most important,
it’s true your 4-H experience has accomplished for you”

“You’ve seen how a business meeting is run
this knowledge will help you in years to come
You’ve conquered the fear of addressing a crowd,
You’ve learned how to stand up and tall;
nice and loud”

“You’ve learned how to lose without making a beef,
you know the judge judges to his best belief.
You’ve learned how to win without boasting too loud,
a kid can loose friends if he’s proud”

“These are the things most important to you,
you’ll remember and use them all your life through.
They’ll help you become a mighty fine man.
They’ll do more for you than a prize ever can.”

Sate Fair Volunteer Opportunities

At the 2009 Iowa State Fair, opportunities abound!
The 4-H Exhibits Building and Livestock Events provide excellent experiences for our 4-H youth and adults as well- to volunteer and work with the 4-H program during the Iowa State Fair. Meeting others who are passionate about Iowa 4-H, greeting and hosting fairgoers, and being part of the all-around excitement of the Iowa State Fair are perks for those who volunteer in the Communications, Livestock or the Exhibits Building. The State 4-H office is now accepting youth paid staff applications for those who can work at least a week during the fair, as well as volunteer sign-ups. Information and applications can be found at

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/StateFair/StateFairInfo.htm>.

FYI

- ◆ July 6-Beef & Swine Management sheet, bucket calf packet, pullorum free certificate for poultry, pet show packet due to Extension office
- ◆ July 7 – Communications/Clothing Event
- ◆ July 7 Horse Workshop
- ◆ July 8- Booth Decorating for Static Day
- ◆ July 9– Static Exhibit Judging
- ◆ July 13 – 16– Lyon County Fair
- ◆ Aug 7 – non food State Fair Exhibits due to Extension office by 9 am
- ◆ Aug 10 State Fair food entries due to Extension office by 9 am
- ◆ Aug 7- Ak-Sar-Ben entries are due to Extension office
- ◆ Aug 13 - 23 - Iowa State Fair