

# CLOVER CONNECTION

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## NORTHWEST AREA EXTENSION

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## Clovers to...

- Blaine Clovers for assembling packets for the BCIG 4th graders.
- Tammy Neubauer for manning the Extension/4-H table at the skating party.
- All 4-H'ers who completed record books!
- Courtney Bottjen, Adrienne Burk, and Shelby Neubauer for talking with the BCIG 4th graders about 4-H.
- 4-H Committee Members for evaluating record books.
- Kysa Bennett, Tyrell Bennett, Sage Bennett, Victoria Andresen, Michaela Else for talking with the GH 4th graders.
- Grant Champions for decorating the Extension Office Windows for National 4-H Week.

## Congrats to:

Kysa Bennett and Shiliah Spaulding for being chosen to be on the Northwest Iowa Area Conference Youth Council.

## Calendar of Events

### County Happenings

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| Nov. 2     | 4-H Awards Program 2PM   |
| Nov. 2     | Club Programs @ All enrollment forms are Due.                    |
| Nov. 2     | 4-H Fundraiser Starts  |
| Nov. 7     | Poultry Workshop at the Extension Office 7PM                     |
| Nov. 10    | 4-H On Ice Registrations due to Woodbury County Extension Office |
| Nov. 15    | 4-H On Ice at Tyson Event Center                                 |
| Nov. 24    | 4-H Committee Meeting, 7:30PM                                    |
| Nov 16     | Youth Council Meeting 6:30                                       |
| Nov. 27-28 | Thanksgiving Holiday -Office Closed                              |
| - Nov. 30  | Fundraiser Forms & Money due to leaders By 3PM                   |
| Nov. 30    | 4-H Leaders Meeting 5PM  |
| Nov. 30    | Fundraiser Due to Extension Office                               |
| Dec. 1     | Pioneer Grant Applications Due to Extension                      |

July 28-August 2 Ida County Fair

### 4-H Youth Council

Victoria Andresen  
Kysa Bennett  
Courtney Bottjen  
Adrienne Burk  
Greg Davis  
Michaela Else  
Shelby Neubauer  
Shiliah Spaulding

### Extension Council

Kelli Boyle  
Clint Conover  
Klint Cork  
Lisa Cronin  
Dale Friedrichsen  
Rod Jensen  
Tammy Neubauer  
Kyle Rohlk  
Todd Vohs

### 4-H Committee

Kyle Bennett  
Leah Godbersen  
Carman Grove  
Trisha Hoffman  
Mary Rohlk  
Joan Verschoor  
Jerry Ullrich

### Office Staff

Kathy S. Schmidt	CEED
Susan Redenius	CYC
Marla Seuntjens	OA

## 4-H Awards Program

Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00 p.m. at the Battle Creek-Ida Grove High School Cafeteria for this year's Awards Program. **PLEASE BRING FINGER FOOD/SNACKS TO SHARE!**

## 4-H Fundraiser

It is almost time to start the 4-H Fundraiser. This year the Fundraiser will start Sunday November 2nd and will end Sunday November 30th. We have extended the selling time by a week to provide more time to sell, also the Fundraiser will still be going on during the Thanksgiving Holiday! All money must be collected at the time of the sale. No products will be ordered without payment!

If you know you will not be selling over the Thanksgiving holiday you may turn your forms into the extension office at any time before the due date.

Fundraiser forms and money are due to club leaders by Sunday November 30th by 3 pm, and due by club leaders to the Extension office by Sunday November 30th at the Leaders Training.

Products will be ready for pick up the week of December 15. Sellers are responsible for picking up and delivering their own orders. If members are not available to pick-up the products please have someone available that can. The Extension Office will be open late the day of pick-up. There will be a snow date given also.

## Youth Council

The youth council held their elections on Sunday October 26. The new officers are President: Shiliah Spaulding, Vice President: Kysa Bennett, Secretary: Shelby Neubauer.

## Record Books

Congratulations to the 4-H'ers that completed record books! All records books will be available for pick up at the Awards Program on November 2nd, or at the Extension Office anytime after November 2nd.

## Club Programs Due...

Just a reminder that Club Programs for 2008-2009 are due November 2nd, the same day as Enrollments & Re-Enrollments. Don't forget that Club Programs are REQUIRED for each club.

The Risk Management Policy and Insurance covers those events that are listed on the Club Program or called into the Extension Office 24 hours prior to the event.

## Re-Enrollment Time

Re-Enrollment forms have been given to leaders. Please remember that you are not automatically re-enrolled from the previous year! You have to complete these forms for the 2008-2009 4-H year:

- Project Enrollment Form
- Code of Ethics Form
- Medical Release Form

Enrollment & Re-Enrollment forms are due to the Extension Office by November 2nd or can be turned in at the Awards Program.

## November Youth Council Meeting

The next youth council meeting will be held November 16th at 6:30 pm at the Extension Office.

## Skating Party

Thank you to everyone that came to the Skate Palace for the Ida/Sac Skating Party. The skating party was a success, and we had a great turn out of 4-H'ers, Family, and Friends!

If anyone found an OA-BCIG white sweat-shirt at the Skating party, could you please return it to the extension office. Thanks

## Clover Connection Challenge

The first 4-H Member to call the Extension Office and introduce yourself to Susan Redenius, our new Youth Coordinator will win the prize. Be sure to tell her your name, Club you belong to, how long you have been in 4-H, and your favorite project area.

The answer to last months question is still unanswered so don't forget to call.

## Clover Kids Anyone?

If anyone is interested or knows someone that would be interested in joining or starting a Clover Kids Club contact the Extension Office.

## Pioneer Grant

Pioneer Hi-Bred International is offering Pioneer Community Improvement Grants through the Iowa 4-H Foundation. Clubs are encouraged to apply for "seed money" to help get started on community projects. Application and all support material must be to the Extension Office by December 1<sup>st</sup>. The brochure, information, and application are available on the web at: [www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/PioneerGrants.html](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/PioneerGrants.html)

## Holiday Cards for 4-H Foundation

4-H'ers are encouraged to create a special holiday card so that they can share the spirit of the season with our special supporters. (Recognizing that some of our donors and board members celebrate different holidays- please encourage them to keep the cards somewhat generic holiday greetings) Sign the Cards (on the back) with your club name and community or county. Please make the cards the equivalent of about 1/4 of a normal 8 1/2" x 11" page. Mail cards (with envelopes) to:

Iowa 4-H Foundation  
Extension 4-H Youth Building  
Ames, IA 50011-3630

Cards Received by November 25th will be used this year!

## Foundation License Plates

Support Iowa 4-H with the new 4-H license plate. This is a great holiday gift for that special 4-H member, volunteer, leader or staff person! The Iowa 4-H Foundation has applied for an official 4-H license plate and to create this special design plate, 500 pre-paid orders must be submitted within one year. Get your license plate today by filling out the application form online at [www.iowa4hfoundation.org](http://www.iowa4hfoundation.org). License plates are \$35 for numbered plates and \$60 for personalized plates. Applications and payment by check or money order are to be sent to: Iowa 4-H Foundation, 3530 Extension Bldg, ISU, Ames, IA 50011-3630. For questions call Shelly Greving, [shellyg@iastate.edu](mailto:shellyg@iastate.edu) or (515) 294-1607.

## New County Youth Coordinator

Hello everyone. My name is Susan Redenius and I am your new County Youth Coordinator (CYC). I am very honored to be working with the Ida County 4-H program, as well as other youth related activities. I can not wait to meet all of you so please stop by the extension office so we can get acquainted.

For those of you who do not know me, my husband Bill and I live southeast of Holstein with our eight children. Five of which are members of Ida County 4-H. I look forward to working with each of you.

## Mount Kato Discounts

We have information on group discounts to Mount Kato. If your club is interested in going skiing together, stop by the Extension Office for more details!

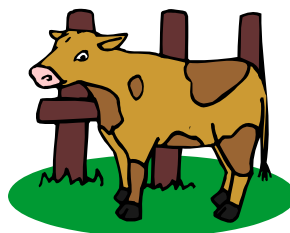
## 4-H On Ice

Ida County 4-H youth, their family, and friends have been invited to join other 4-H clubs in surrounding counties as well as Nebraska, and South Dakota for 4-H On Ice. See details of a fun filled afternoon and night with 4-H on the flyer enclosed in this newsletter. **REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE SOON.** Hurry so you don't miss the fun. Any questions call Susan 364-3003.

## POULTRY WORKSHOP

Lois Spaulding will be holding a Poultry Workshop for anyone interested in a Poultry project. The workshop will be held Friday, November 7 @ 7pm. Registration is encouraged to assure enough handouts available. Call Susan at the Extension Office 364-3003 with any questions or for registration.

## AK-SAR-BEN Results



### Beef - Feeder Calf

Trent Boyle	Blue
Rachel Boyle	Blue
Nicole Boyle	White

### Beef - Market

Trent Boyle	Blue
Molly Tullis	Blue

### Beef - Carcass

Molly Tullis	Purple
Molly Tullis	White
Trent Boyle	White

### Horse - Senior Barrel

Molly Tullis	Blue
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### Horse - Senior Pole

Molly Tullis	Blue
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# Congratulations to All Exhibitors!

## IMPORTANT COOL AND 4-H LIVESTOCK

The USDA is preparing for the mandatory COOL (Country of Origin Labeling) that goes into effect September 30, 2008. There is an excellent website for those wanting to know more details on the Iowa Beef Center's webpage at:  
<http://www.iowabeefcenter.org/content/COOL.htm>

The process for 4-H'ers is relatively simple. Animals that are "on the ground" or born by July 15, 2008, will be "grandfathered" into the program. However, any animals changing ownership and born after that date will need the COOL affidavit.

### What 4-H'ers Need to Do:

The Iowa COOL Coalition has come up with a simple affidavit that can work for all species of livestock (beef, sheep, swine, poultry, goat). This affidavit is located at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/documents/cool.doc> Page 1 explains the steps needed to be taken as well as example documents that can be used for an audit trail. Page 2 is the actual affidavit

4-H'ers who raise their own livestock for their projects need to fill this affidavit out and keep it on file for a minimum of two years. In the case of an audit, 4-H'ers can provide authorities with this affidavit along with other documents listed at the bottom of page 1 of the affidavit document (birth records (calving report, PigChamp, PigTales, etc.), purchase/sales receipts, etc.)

### 4-H'ers who purchase their livestock from others

MUST have the producer fill out the affidavit, give it to the 4-H'er, and the 4-H'er should keep the affidavit on file for a minimum of two years. For example, a 4-H'er goes to buy his steer from a producer. The 4-H'er needs the producer (seller) to fill out and sign the affidavit.

Plans are underway at the State 4-H office to add this topic to the 4-H FSQA (Food Safety Quality Assurance) programs. 4-H'ers will have an opportunity to attend just that part of the training if they do not need to attend the entire two hours. If you have questions about COOL and how it relates to 4-H livestock or will be purchasing your market beef animals before the meetings, call Susan Redenius at the Ida County Extension at (712) 364-3003.

## 4-H FUNDRAISER

**START:** November 2, 2008

**END:** November 30, 2008

**DUE:** All order forms and money to Club Leaders November 30 by 3PM,  
Due by leaders to the Extension Office November 30 @ the leaders  
Meeting. If you will not be selling over the Thanksgiving holiday you may  
drop your forms off at the Extension anytime before the due date.

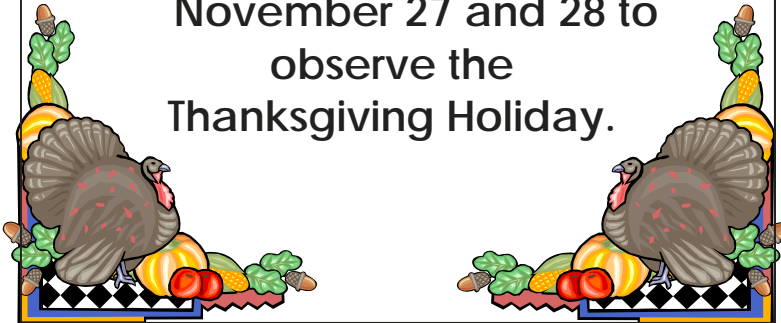
**PICK-UP:** Susan will let leaders know the exact Date. It will be sometime the  
Week of December 15.

- We are selling Meat, Cheese, Fruit, Butter Braids, and Cookie Dough.
- **ALL MONEY MUST BE COLLECTED AT THE TIME OF THE SALE. NO PRODUCTS WILL BE ORDERED WITHOUT PAYMENT!**
- Checks should be made out to the *Ida County Extension Office*.
- Members should total their orders before turning them in. Orders must include all money. Please check your orders to be sure your totals are equal to the money collected.
- Sellers are responsible for picking up and delivering their own orders. Please make arrangements to have products picked up on the delivery date.. If you are not available to pick-up the products please have someone available that can.
- Funds raised by 4-H'ers involved in scholarships will be earmarked for those specific projects. Funds raised by all other 4-H'ers and clubs will be used to pay for club insurance, which is \$1.00 per member and \$2.00 per horse member. The remaining money will be split between the participating clubs and the Extension Office. The clubs will be receiving portions based on the percent of their sales.
- Order forms will be handed to Club Leaders at the Awards Program. If you need extra forms the Extension Office has extras.
- If there are any questions please call Susan Redenius at 364-3003

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**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!**

Our Office will be closed  
November 27 and 28 to  
observe the  
Thanksgiving Holiday.



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