



Special points of interest:

- FSQA Dates
- Bucket Bottle Calf Workshop
- 4-H Day at Cyclone Women's Basketball
- Farm Safety Course
- Scholarships
- ISU Dog Show
- Horse Events

Upcoming Events

February

27: Basketball Rosters due to the Extension Office

28: FSQA Training, DeWitt Community Center (10 a.m. -12 p.m. & 1 p.m.-3 p.m.)

March

3: Bucket Bottle Calf Workshop, Extension Office (6 p.m.)

7: 4-H Day at Cyclone Women's Basketball Game, Hilton Coliseum (7 p.m.)

8: Goose Lake Jr. Feeders Pancake Breakfast, Millennium (7 a.m.-noon)

9: Highway to Horticulture Registrations due to Jones Extension Office

14: Showmaster Boot Camp, Johnson County Fairgrounds

15: Jr. (12 p.m.) and Intermediate (3 p.m.) Basketball Tournament, DeWitt Central

16: Spring Leaders Training, Auditorium (noon and 6:30 p.m.)

17: Senior Basketball Tournament, DeWitt Central School (6 p.m.)

21: Swine Weigh-Ins

26: Beef Blast, Iowa State University

28-29: Iowa Youth Horse Jamboree, ISU, Kildee Hall-Ames

April

1: Highway to Horticulture

6: FSQA Training, Auditorium (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)

18: Explore 4-H Again (9-11 a.m.)

25: State Fair Swine Weigh-Ins, Clinton County Fairgrounds

May

2: Sheep Weigh-Ins

15: Livestock Id Forms are due to the Extension Office

15: Deadline for New Enrollment Forms

June

12-14: Jr. 4-H Camp

30-July 2: State 4-H Conference

July

15-19: Clinton County Club Show

August

13-23: Iowa State Fair

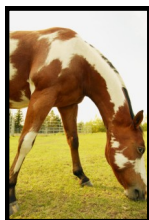
FSQA Information

Clinton County FSQA Training will be offered on the following dates:

- ***Saturday, February 28** from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the DeWitt Community Center
- ***Saturday, February 28** from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the DeWitt Community Center
- ***Monday, April 6** from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Clinton County Fairgrounds Auditorium

For additional information, requirements, and other area FSQA trainings please visit the website.

4-H/FFA Horse Clinic and Judging Contest



Nutrena and the 1st District Iowa Quarter Horse Association are sponsoring a 4-H and FFA member clinic. The Clinic will be held at the Iowa Equestrian Center on the Kirkwood Community College campus on February 21st. New this year is the addition of the judging contest. More information is available on our website.

4-H Basketball Tournament

We will once again be holding the 4-H basketball tournament at the DeWitt Central High School. The Junior and Intermediate division will be held on Sunday, March 15th while the Senior division will be held on Tuesday, March 17th. The Junior division will be from 12 p.m.-3, Intermediate is 3-6 p.m. on the 15th and Senior from 6-9 p.m. on the 17th. Team rosters are due to the Extension office by February 27th. Additional information was sent to the leaders and can be found on our website. If any club needs to partner with another club to make a full team contact Wendy at the Extension office.



New Enrollment Forms

- New members can turn in enrollment forms until May 15th



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Farm Tractor Safety Course

Clinton County Extension and Farm Bureau are partnering to bring you a farm tractor safety course. The course will be offered each Tuesday starting on February 12th and ending on April 2nd, it will run from 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. at the Farm Bureau office in DeWitt. Youth interested need to be 13 or turning 13 this year. If you have questions contact the Clinton County Farm Bureau at (563) 659-5134.

Bucket Bottle Calf Workshop

A bucket bottle calf workshop will be held at the extension office on Tuesday, March 3rd at 6 p.m. Dr. Jessica Bates, DeWitt Vet Clinic and experienced 4-H members will present on calf nutrition, health, selection and record keeping. Please register by February 20th to the Extension office. Anyone is welcome to attend.



Block and Bridle Dog Show



On March 8th Iowa State University's Block and Bridle is hosting a dog show. The dog show will be held in the Farm Bureau Pavillion. Registration is at noon and the show will begin at 2 p.m. Registration fee is \$10, for more information please visit the extension website.

Showmaster Boot Camp

Come learn with the experts at Showmaster Boot Camp 2009. This is a great educational opportunity for kids showing cattle, hogs, and sheep. This will be held on March 14th, at the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Iowa City, registration begins at 8:00 a.m. The day will be broken into species segments starting with cattle. The experts will be covering daily care and management, clipping, fitting, feeding and showmanship. This year we are working with Iowa State University offering FSQA certification. Lunch will be provided with great door prizes. If you would like more information or would like to reserve your registration, please call Kim Lewis at 319-430-0474 by March 5th.

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Club Programs

The following club needs to turn in a copy of their club program to the Extension Office. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office.

- Spring Valley

Scholarship Information



- Dorothy Klindt Memorial Scholarship- \$1000 (renewable for three years) for students entering Iowa State University this fall. Application deadline is March 1, 2009, the application is available at our office.
- Clinton County Soil and Water Conservation Scholarship- \$1000 for high school seniors pursuing a degree in an agriculture or natural resource field. Application deadline is March 3, 2009, applications are available by contacting the Soil and Water District in DeWitt at (563) 659-3456.
- Hoover Uncommon Student Award- \$5000 for high school **juniors** planning to attend any two or four year college or university. Applications due March 31, 2009. Additional information can be found at www.hooverassociation.org.
- Iowa Junior 4-H Scholarship- \$500 for high school seniors who have been in 4-H in Clinton County for at least four years. Applications are due April 15, 2009. Additional information and application can be found at www.ohnward.com.
- Iowa Foundation for Agriculture Advancement- \$39,000 available for high school seniors planning to attend a two or four year college. Applications are due June 1, 2009. Applications are available at the Extension office and on our website.

Miss Rodeo Iowa Clinic

Are you interested in learning more about Miss Rodeo Iowa? On March 14-15th you can attend the clinic at the Iowa State University Veterinary Science building in Ames. During the weekend clinic, you will span a wide variety of topics to familiarize yourself with how to be a public spokesperson and titleholder for an organization. For any young ladies interested in competing at the Cowgirl Queen contest at the Iowa State Fair, this clinic would be very beneficial for them, as well as future rodeo queens! For more information please visit our website.



Compliance Reports

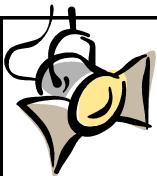
The following clubs need to turn in a copy of their club's compliance report to the Extension Office. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office.

- DeWitt Hustlers
- Elvira Rustler
- Orange Future Leaders
- C-W Jr.Ag
- Minnehaha
- Wapsi Valley



Beef Blast

4-H'ers in grades 9 through 12 and enrolled in the beef project are encouraged to join the 4-H Beef Blast on March 26! The Beef Blast is a fun, learning experience to ISU, to learn more about their 4-H beef project and beef production. Participants will learn about beef nutrition, building feed rations, ruminant anatomy, and how the rumen works. They will also enjoy some fun on the ISU campus. The activities will be held in Kildee Hall, home of the animal science program at ISU, with a quick tour of the Memorial Union. Lunch will be with ISU Animal Science faculty and the Block & Bridle (animal science club) club officers and members. Any interested 4-H'ers should contact the county Extension office for registration and trip details. Registrations will be due March 1, and the registration fee is \$30. Only one bus load is planned, first come, first serve.



New Employee Spotlight



Jessica Lester

Jessica Lester is the newest staff member at the Clinton County Extension Office. She is working as the Office Assistant. Jessica, her husband Patrick and 20 month old son Jonas recently moved to Elvira. Jessica grew up in Sherrard, Illinois, attended Black Hawk Community College and obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Finance from the University of Illinois. Jessica is excited about learning more about Extension and all it has to offer. She is also looking forward to meeting 4-H families and supports while working in our office.

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Office Hours

Monday: 8-6

Tuesday-Thursday: 8-4:30

Friday: 8-3

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