



Special points of interest:

- FSQA
- 4-H Youth Conference
- Junior 4-H Camp
- Livestock Shows and Clinics
- Club Show News

Upcoming Events

April

- 1: Highway to Horticulture
- 6: FSQA Training, Auditorium (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)
- 18: Bird and Small Animal Swap (7-11 a.m.) Jackson County Fairgrounds
- 18: Explore 4-H Again (2-4 p.m.)
- 18: Washington County Spring Preview Show
- 25: State Fair Swine Weigh-Ins, Clinton County Fairgrounds
- 25: ISU Spring Livestock Judging Contest

May

- 2: Sheep Weigh-Ins
- 15: Last day to add projects
- 15: Livestock Id Forms are due to the Extension Office
- 15: Non-livestock Registration forms due to Extension Office
- 15: Deadline for New Enrollment Forms due
- 15: 4-H'ers for 4-H Contributions due
- 15: 4-H Youth Conference Registrations due

June

- 11-13: Cyclone Horse Judging Camp
- 12-14: Jr. 4-H Camp
- 21-27: Dubuque 4-H Horse and Pony Camp
- 26: County Fair Entry Forms due by 3:00 p.m. to the Extension Office
- 30-July 2: State 4-H Conference, *Voyage to Greatness*

July

- 1: State Fair 4-H Livestock/Horticulture entries due to Extension Office
- 3: Extension Office Closed
- 6: Bucket/Bottle Calf Interviews (1 - 5 p.m.)
- 7: Fashion Revue/Clothing Selections (3 - 7 p.m.)
- 8: Communications Day (1 - 5 p.m.)
- 11: Conference Judging Day (9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.)
- 15-19: Clinton County Club Show

August

- 13-23: Iowa State Fair

Voyage to Greatness

The 2008-2009 State 4-H Council is inviting all Iowa youth (8th-12th grades) to attend the 2009 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference with Animal Science ROUNDUP and CSI: Crops. This event will be held June 30th - July 2nd on the Iowa State University Campus.

The gathering consists of more than 1,000 youth delegates from around the state and includes workshops, speakers, dances, bowling, picnics, a formal banquet, staying in ISU residence halls, a talent show and much more.

Animal Science ROUNDUP specializes in workshops focusing on beef, sheep, swine, dairy goat, and horse, along with new animal agriculture technologies and career opportunities in animal agriculture.

CSI: Crops specializes in workshops focusing on agronomy and its many facets. Find out about GMO's, GPS, FEEL, ELISA and DNA. Conduct a plant crime scene investigation: solve insect, disease, weed and plant growth problems.

Registration is due before May 15th. Contact the Extension Office for more questions or check www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/StateConference/index.htm.



Junior 4-H Camp

Clinton County is inviting all junior members (4th-6th grade) to join us for 4-H Camp at Camp Shalom on June 12th-14th. Camp Shalom is located near the Maquoketa Caves. 4-H'ers will get an opportunity to try some awesome camp activities, including high ropes, archery, team building activities and much more. Registration forms have been sent out and are available at the Extension Office.

Check out all of the Summer Camp opportunities 4-H'ers can participate in this summer. Half-week and week-long camps are available. For more information, go to www.iowa4hcamp.com.

New Enrollment Forms

- New members can turn in enrollment forms until May 15th. Lets see how many new members we can add in Clinton County



ISU Spring Judging Contest

The 2009 ISU Spring Youth Livestock Judging Contest will be held on Saturday April 25th. The contest will consist of eight classes of cattle, sheep, and hogs and three sets of oral reasons. The teams will consist of four members. All individual scores contribute to the team score. For a contest registration form and more information, stop by the Extension Office or visit the Clinton County Extension Website.

2009 Washington County Spring Preview Show

The 2009 Washington County Spring Preview Cattle Show will be held Saturday April 18th. Check in time is 8:00-10:30 a.m., with show time starting at 11:30 a.m. at the Washington County Fairgrounds. For more information, contact Harry Walker at 319-461-1458 or e-mail walkertransport@iowatelecom.net. Pre-entry is appreciated. Check the Extension Website for Show Flyer and registration form.

Iowa Buckskin Horse Association Show Clinic

The IABHA will be having a horse clinic on Saturday, April 11th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. The show will be held at the Cheval Equestrian Center in Grimes, Iowa. If you are interested in showing your horse and have any questions, check out this clinic.

Dubuque 4-H Horse and Pony Camp

The Dubuque County Trailblazers 4-H Club will host a clinic at the Dubuque County Fairgrounds June 21st - 27th. Camp is open to 4th - 12th graders and applications will be accepted until the camp is full. Applications are available at the Extension Office.

4-H Livestock Current Events Updates

Be sure to visit the ISU Extension Current Events site for more opportunities that 4-H'ers can participate in. Included are, Rabbit Workshops, the ISU Spring Livestock Judging Contest, and the ISU Horse Judging Camp.

www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/currentevents.htm

More information for all articles in the Connection can be found at:

www.extension.iastate.edu/clinton



County Fair News



Livestock ID Forms Due May 15th

All 4-H and FFA members planning on showing Livestock at the Clinton County Club Show and/or Iowa State Fair must identify their animals. ID forms will be distributed by your club leaders. Identification forms are also available at the Extension Office or on the Clinton County Extension Website. Forms are due on or before May 15th, Late forms will not be accepted!

Livestock that must be identified include: Breeding Beef, Dairy, Goats, Dog, Market Sheep, Breeding Sheep, Rabbits, Horses, Market Swine, Breeding Swine, and Bucket Bottle Calf.

Communications Day

Communications Day will be held on Wednesday, July 8th, from 1-5 p.m. at the Auditorium on the Clinton County Fairgrounds. 4-H youth can participate in the following areas: Educational Presentation, 4-H Poster, Extemporaneous Speaking, Working Exhibits, and Share the Fun. Registration forms are in this month's newsletter. Registration forms need to be turned in to the Extension Office on or before May 15th.

Themes for the 2009 4-H Communications Exhibits are:

- 4-H is..... (open to 4-H member's interpretation)
- Join 4-H
- "Voyage to Greatness" (The 2009 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference theme)
- "4-H Time" (The 2009 Iowa State Fair theme is "State Fair Time")

Fashion Revue/Clothing Selection

Fashion Revue/Clothing Selection Day will be held on Tuesday, July 7th, from 3-7 p.m. at the Auditorium on the Clinton County Fairgrounds. 4-H youth can participate in Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection and/or the \$15.00 Challenge. Registration forms have been included in this month's newsletter and on the county website. Registration Forms are due to the Extension Office on or before May 15th.



The Club Show Schedule will be posted soon on the Website.

New Fair Class

Reuse, Recycle and Repurpose: Use anything recycled (no new items except for nails, glue, etc.) The exhibit should be turned into a functional or decorative item. There must be before and after photos, a list of materials and expenses, time involved, savings of years from the landfill, and financial savings by reclaiming this item. The class will be listed under Issues Department, 4-H'ers do not need to be enrolled in any specific project in order to enter this class.

State Fair Swine Weigh-In

State Fair Weigh-ins will be on April 25th, at the Clinton County Fairgrounds. All pigs must be brought to the weigh-in/verification process in order to show at the Iowa State Fair. Maximum weight for pigs on that day is 40 pounds. Cost is \$5.00 per pig.

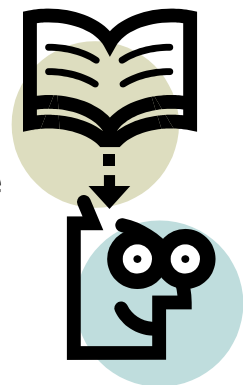


Sheep/Meat Goat Weigh-In

Sheep/Meat Goat Weigh-ins will be held Saturday May 2nd from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Ag Building at the DeWitt High School.

Reminders

- **Missing Ear Tags** - Be Sure to notify the Extension Office if you have an animal with a missing ear tag. Wendy will contact you and make arrangements for the retag of your animal.
- **Explore 4-H Again** - Registrations are due April 10th to the Extension Office.
- **FSQA Training** - The last opportunity to attend FSQA training in Clinton County will be April 6th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Clinton County Fairgrounds Auditorium. Every 4-H'er exhibiting livestock must be FSQA certified.
- **4-H'ers for 4-H** - *Giving Green to Achieve Your Dreams* - Don't forget to donate to the Iowa 4-H Foundation. Contributions are due to the Extension Office by May 15th.
- **Iowa Agricultural Youth Institute** - The IAYI will be June 8th-11th at Iowa State University in Ames. Applications are due May 1st.



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Office Hours

Monday: 8-6

Tuesday-Thursday: 8-4:30

Friday: 8-3

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Communications Day Entry Form
Due to the Extension Office by Friday, May 15th

Name _____ Club _____

Address _____ Phone _____

*Please make sure that you include you \$5.00 registration fee with your registration form.

I plan to do:

_____ **Educational Presentation**
_____ **Communicating Through Posters**
_____ **Extemporaneous Speaking**

I am a:

_____ Junior (grade 4-6)
_____ Intermediate (grade 7&8)
_____ Senior (grades 9-12)

The title of my (EP, ES, or Poster) is:

Approximate Time You Would Like To Be Judged on **Wednesday, July 8th** (1:00-5:00p.m.)

*Times will be scheduled according to order of forms received. : _____

Please Write down any family members or 4-H friends that will also be participating: _____

Poster Themes for 2009:

Join 4-H

4-H is...

Voyage to Greatness (2008 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference Theme)

4-H Time (2008 Iowa State Fair theme is "State Fair Time")

(4-H Posters Must Be turned in by 12:00p.m.)

**** If you are participating in more than one of the above selections, make sure you X both boxes. This form may be duplicated if needed. Please list the names of all 4-H'ers participating in each event. You may use the backside of this form. If you have questions, call the Extension Office. Thanks!!**

FASHION REVUE/CLOTHING SELECTION ENTRY FORM
Due to the Extension Office by Friday, May 15th

Name _____ Club _____

Address _____

Phone _____

***Please hand in your \$5.00 registration fee in with your registration form.**

Approximate time you would like to be judged (times will be scheduled in the order that they are received) : _____

Judging will take place on Tuesday, July 7th from 3:00-7:00pm

Check appropriate boxes:

_____ **Fashion Revue...** (an outfit you have sewn.)

_____ Jr. (grades 4-6)

_____ Int. (grades 7-8)

_____ Sr. (grades 9-12)

_____ **Clothing Selection...** (an outfit you bought.)

_____ Jr. (grades 4-6)

_____ Int. (grades 7-8)

_____ Sr. (grades 9-12)

_____ **\$15.00 Challenge**

_____ Jr. (grades 4-6)

_____ Int. (grades 7-8)

_____ Sr. (grades 9-12)

If there is more than one 4-H'er in your family who will be participating in the Fashion Revue/Clothing Selection, please duplicate this form and send.

Share the Fun
Due to the Extension Office by Friday, May 15th

Name _____ Club _____

Address _____ Phone _____

I am a: _____ Junior (grades 4-6) _____ Intermediate (grades 7&8)
_____ Senior (grades 9-12)

The title or name : _____

Special Equipment Needed (BE SPECIFIC): _____

Approximate Time You Would Like To Be Judged: _____ Judging will take place on
Friday, July 17th from 2:00 - 5:30p.m.

**** If you are participating in more than one of the above selections, list the appropriate information on another sheet of paper. This form may be duplicated. Please list the names of all 4-H'ers participating in each event. You may use the backside of this form. If you have questions, call the Extension Office. Thanks!!**

Working Exhibit
Due to the Extension Office by Friday, May 15th

Name _____ Club _____

Address _____ Phone _____

I am a: _____ Junior (grades 4-6) _____ Intermediate (grades 7&8)
_____ Senior (grades 9-12)

The title or name _____

Special Equipment Needed (BE SPECIFIC): _____

Approximate Time You Would Like To Be Judged: _____ Judging will take place on
Saturday, July 18th from 2:00– 5:00p.m.

**** If you are participating in more than one of the above selections, list the appropriate information on another sheet of paper. This form may be duplicated. Please list the names of all 4-H'ers participating in each event. You may use the backside of this form. If you have questions, call the Extension Office. Thanks!!**