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University Extension

The July 2008 Clover Leaflet Is Here!

Members & Leaders,

We have made some changes to the look of the newsletter, and added the red bar design from the Iowa State campus, but rest assured the information has not changed!

With the fair right around the corner, this newsletter (as always) is FULL of important information. Please be sure to read the whole thing, as we do not want anyone to miss any important deadlines or information!

We've had a few additions to the email notification list, but not as many as we'd originally expected, so if

you know of a 4-H family who has not received their newsletter, please tell them to contact the Extension Office so we can either get them a paper copy or add them to our email list. Remember, we will NOT be "snail-mailing" the newsletter anymore, it will all be found online at:

www.extension.iastate.edu/Clarke/kidsteens.htm

We have had a few requests for additional fair books—one that we simply cannot accommodate. If for some reason your fair book has been misplaced, ruined, or anything else, the fair book and all forms can

be found online at the Clarke County Extension's website.

If you have any questions related to the fair, 4-H, or anything youth related, please do not hesitate to contact the Extension office, and we will be more than happy to help you in any way we can! Thanks for your continued dedication to 4-H, and I can't wait to see all your smiling faces at the fair!



Kate Johnson

Clarke County Youth Coordinator

Pre-Fair New 4-H Member Walk-Around

We will be hosting a meeting specifically for families who are new to 4-H, but all members new and old are welcome to attend!

This meeting will be held on July 15th at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the

fairgrounds. This is a great opportunity for new members to visit the fairgrounds pre-fair and see the new buildings and facilities available for the 2008 fair. Our hope is that this will reduce some of the

anxiety and stress that may be caused by any uncertainty about our new exhibit building facility, so please try and attend if you are available!



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Special points of interest:

- ☺ Tanner Matlage Memorial Livestock Grant
- ☺ New Exhibit Building Information
- ☺ Iowa 4-H Ford Pickup Raffle
- ☺ All your 2008 Fair Related Information!

Dates to Remember:

Ford Pickup Raffle	7/4, 24, 28
Fashion Review & Clothing Selection	7/8
Communications Judging—7 p.m.	7/10
Jr. Superintendant Applications Due	7/11
Fair Queen Contest & 4-H Style Show—2	7/20
Exhibit Building Judging and Set-Up	7/22
Open Class check-in	7/22

Pullorum-Typhoid Test to be Done at Time of Fair Check In

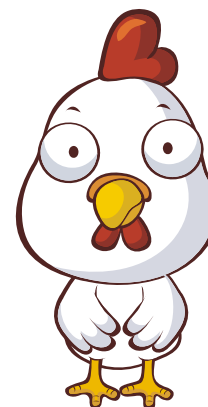
All poultry present at exhibitions, sales and shows must have come from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flock or have had a negative Pullorum-Typhoid Test done by an authorized tester. In the past we have done this in advance of the fair, however if the fowl is exposed to Pullorum-Typhoid between test-date and fair, the test is of no value.

County Fair birds will be tested this year at the time of check-in at the fair. As with last year, Jody Woods will be doing the test. Poultry (and rabbits) will be checked in on Wednesday evening (July 23rd) from

6-8 p.m. and on Thursday morning (July 24th) from 7-9 a.m. Dr. Judy Little, DVM, Clarke County Fair Small Animal Vet, will check the general health of both poultry and rabbits for the fair. There may be a cost-recovery fee charged for the Pullorum-Typhoid test.

If you purchase birds from a company that is an approved Pullorum-Typhoid free flock and you keep the birds separate from other birds, they do not have to be tested. Just bring the paperwork with you to the fair for Jody, Howard, and/or Dr. Little to review.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!



Junior Superintendents Needed!

Junior Superintendents assist fair superintendents with fair related activities, promote 4-H and/or FFA, and assist members, leaders and parents before and during the fair. They must attend fair superintendent planning meetings as determined by the superintendent to discuss schedule, changes, etc. Junior superintendents help with fair clean-up, building preparation, assist with weigh-ins, assist on judging day—directing

youth, writing comments and handing out ribbons. They help clean up livestock judging arenas, buildings, etc. after fair, and participate in fair evaluation.

To be eligible you must be committed to 4-H or FFA, act as a positive role model for other youth, have a positive attitude, the ability to work with other youth and adults, and be able to budget time to commit hours to helping. You must be a freshman in high

school or older in the fall of 2008 school year.

In the selection process, we select youth to help with a given show in which the youth is not involved. If you have questions or would like an application, please contact the Clarke County Extension Office. The application is brief and can be filled out at the office. **The deadline for application is July 11th**, so hurry in!

Fair Clean-Up Roster

Attention Club Leaders! If you have not signed up for a time slot for fair clean-up, please call the Extension Office at (641)342-3316 and do so.

The Triple Troopers, Osceola Go-

Getters, Shamrocks, Fremont Feenix, K.W. Hustlers, and Osceola FFA ARE signed up. Everyone has been taking the same time-slots as last year.



Pre-Fair Events

Fashion Review and Clothing Selection:

For those that entered in Fashion Review and Clothing Selection, the judging will be July 8th at 9:30 a.m. at the Extension Office. As soon as we have the entries, we will work out a schedule and let the 4-Hers know when they are to be judged.



Communications Contest:

The Communications Contest will be on July 10th at 7:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Osceola. We will be using the Methodist Church again in case the piano is needed for Share the Fun. Next year's contest will move to the new exhibit building.



Style Show/Queen Contest

As in past years, the style show will be held in conjunction with the Fair Queen contest. The activities will be held on the afternoon of July 20th at the Exhibit Building. This event starts at 2:00 p.m.



Exhibit Building Information

Due to the lack of wall space, we have decided to forego club/chapter booths this year. Instead, we are asking that each club/chapter creates a promotional display. The extension office will provide your club with a 3 panel display board. Items can be displayed on the tri-fold or in the table space in front of the display (we plan to fit 3 displays to a round table in the

exhibit building). We will still encourage use of the theme Ignite the Flame. Displays should be ready for set up on the evening of Tuesday, July 22nd.

The exhibit area will begin with State Fair bound exhibits when one enters the east door, followed by the club/chapter displays. The middle will house the 4-H/FFA exhibits, and the open class exhibits will

be found at the west end of the building.

Projects will be displayed by project area this year. We will experiment with this for our first year in the new building, and can adjust to accommodate our needs in future fairs. A new photo display rack for the 4-H/FFA photos is being built, thanks to Highway Lumber, Shamrocks, and Osceola Go-Getters!

Exhibit Building Set-Up & Judging Day Schedule

Arrangement of project displays will be done on Tuesday evening, July 22nd after judging is completed and State Fair exhibits have been selected and moved to their viewing area.

Exhibits will be arranged by project area, as mentioned before. We will need assistance in setting up the exhibits and arranging them to best fit the area. If you would like to help, please contact Denise Sebek (641-

342-4321) and sign up for a crew.

Set up will begin at roughly 6:00 p.m. when judging is completed.

The following is the 2008 Fair Judging Schedule (all taking place at the 4-H exhibit building on the fairgrounds):

8:00-8:45 a.m.—Judges Orientation

8:30-8:45 a.m.—Helpers Orientation

9:00-9:45 a.m.—Fremont Fenix/FFA

9:45--10:30 a.m.—Clarke Panthers

10:30—11:15 a.m.—Shamrocks

11:15-12 noon—Triple Troopers/
Koolios

12:00-1:00 p.m.—Lunch Break

1:00-1:30 p.m.—Osceola Go-Getters

1:30—4:00 p.m.—K.W. Hustlers

4:00-5:00 p.m.—Green Bay Gophers

5:00-6:00 p.m.—State Fair Selection
(judging room closed)

6:00-8:00 p.m.—Exhibit Display Setup

Tanner Matlage Memorial Livestock Grant

This grant was created in memory of Tanner Matlage by Tanner's cousin Bobbie & Jason Cook and family.

Tanner was an enthusiastic young man who loves his 4-H and FFA livestock projects. He enjoyed both working with his animals and showing them at the Clarke County Fair.

The grant is for \$250 and must be applied to a 4-H or FFA livestock project. Livestock is defined as beef, dairy, goats, rabbits, poultry, sheep or swine. The project may involve market or breeding animals.



The grant is available to any active Clarke County 4-H or FFA member* who has completed one year of 4-H or

FFA prior to receiving the grant, and who will be an active member and eligible to show at the county fair for the coming program year.

The animal(s) that are part of the grant proposal must be shown at the county fair during the program year of the grant. Thus, the member receiving the grant must meet all of the other criteria that are required to show at the Clarke County Fair. Example: A grant presented at the 2008 Clarke County Fair will be for the 2008-2009 4-H/FFA program year, and thus the animal(s) must be shown at the 2009 Clarke County Fair. All criteria for the 2009 Clarke County Fair must be met.

The application for the award will consist of no more than one typewritten page explaining how the 4-H/FFA member will use the grant to begin or expand his/her livestock project. The application should have the member's name, address, phone number, year in 4-H/FFA and club/chapter name at the top of the page. The grant will be presented at the time of the County Fair Sale to be used in the coming 4-H/FFA project year.

The recipient must submit a summary of the project to the grant committee after the fair or before Septem-

ber 30th. This report will ideally consist of the member's regular 4-H project report (to be submitted to the Extension Office by the same date) or their regular FFA project record book. The report should contain some written comments on what was gained from the opportunity of having received the grant.



The grant committee shall consist of members of Tanner's extended family. **The application is due to the Clarke County Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. on July 15th.** The recipient will be chosen based on how they plan to use the money to start or expand their livestock project and how that will impact their future.

*Member does not have to live in Clarke County, but must be an active member in a Clarke County 4-H club or FFA chapter.

FFA Bucket Decorating Contest

The Big Chief (Osceola) FFA Chapter is once again doing their "Spruce Up the Fairgrounds." You can join-in by decorating a 5 gallon bucket.

Take a 5 gallon bucket, put real or fake flowers inside, and participate in sprucing up the fairgrounds!

The cost is \$5 per bucket entered.



There will be prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. Bring your group's bucket to the show barn on July 24th at 9 a.m. to check in. The buckets will then be displayed throughout the fairgrounds.

July 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 All entries due to Extension Office	2	3	4 4-H F150 Raffle Ticket Sales	5
6	7	8 Fashion Revue/ Clothing Selection	9	10 Communications Judging	11	12
13	14	15 Matlage Grant Application Due	16	17	18	19
20 Fair Queen Con- test/Style Show	21	22 Exhibit Building Judging	23	24	25	26
27 Last Day of Fair	28 Livestock Sale	29	30	31	2008 CLARKE COUNTY FAIR ----->	

Exhibit Building Schedule and Volunteer Hosts

With this year being back on the fair grounds, the exhibit building will be open to public viewing, and probably host more traffic flow than last year.

The exhibit building will be open this year during the following times:

July 23rd—Noon to 8:00 p.m.

We need hosts from 12-2 p.m., 2-4 p.m., 4-6 p.m., and 6-8 p.m.

July 24, 25, and 26—9 a.m.to8:00 p.m.

We need hosts from 9-Noon, Noon to 2 p.m., 2-4 p.m., 4-6 p.m., and 6-8 p.m.

July 27th—1 to 8 p.m.

We need hosts from 1-3 p.m. and 3-5 p.m. Glen, Kate, and/or Denise will host from 5-8 p.m. and then be available from 8-9:30 p.m. when exhibits are released.

August 1st—8 to 9 a.m.

Final Check-Out of Exhibits (Glen and Kate will be at the exhibit building at this time.)

We ask that all volunteer hosts be 18 years old or older. Volunteer responsibilities include: greeting patrons and answering any questions, not allowing exhibits to be touched, not allowing food or drink in the exhibit area, and not allowing exhibits to be removed prior to release time.

If you would like to host a time period, please call the extension office to be scheduled.

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Know someone interested in 4-H?? Send them our way! Club information is available on our website or in the office. New members will still be accepted, just not allowed to show in this year's fair.

Any 4-H questions can be directed to Kate Johnson, Clarke County Youth Coordinator at the Extension office or by email at johnska@iastate.edu



Iowa 4-H Ford Pickup Raffle

Sponsored in part by Anchor Motors the Iowa 4-H Foundation is raffling an F150 4x4 that is 4-H detailed.

The pickup will travel the state going to different functions, especially county fairs to be raffled. We (clubs and 4-H council) must provide adult volunteers (18 or over), 2 per shift to sell the tickets while the truck is here. Because Clarke County has money in the foundation, we will get \$10 of every \$20 ticket sold. Tickets will be sold 1 for \$20 or 6 for \$100.

The truck will be in Osceola on July 4th for Independence Day activities. It will be in the parade and then on the square after the parade until 5-6 p.m. to sell raffle tickets.

The truck will be back on July 24th for the county fair (noon through that evening) and the 28th (4 p.m. through the sale). Once again we will need adult volunteers to sell the tickets.



The statewide raffle is expected to raise \$200,000 plus for the Foundation to develop educational materials and enhance the 4-H program state-wide. Former Clarke County 4-H member and

ISU student Ashley Graff is a summer intern working directly with this project taking the 4-H pickup around the state.

If you would like to earn some money for your club, give the Extension Office a call at 342-3316 to schedule a time slot!

Thanks in advance for your participation in this great money maker!