



4-H Family Newsletter
JUNE 2004

Dear 4-H Families,

There are over 650 Story County youth are enrolled in the 4-H program! This includes Clover Kids. What an exciting fun fact! As this program year continues there are many more opportunities to look forward to including the 2004 Story County Fair!

Meridith Morgan is working in the Extension Office as the Summer 4-H Assistant. She is in the process of updating the webpage and already busy helping with 4-H activities and fair plans. Meridith is a past Story County 4-H'er and Story County Fair Queen. We are delighted to have her helping this summer and welcome her as a staff member.

A HUGE THANK YOU goes out to all superintendents, youth and adult volunteers, and staff that helped with the sheep weigh-in and verification! The process was completed quickly and accurately with help from everyone. Thank you all for your helping hand and time commitment.

IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION

JUNE 25TH FAIR ENTRIES ARE DUE TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE

JUNE 25TH 4-H PROJECTS MUST BE IDENTIFIED TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE

JULY 12TH 5:30 – 7:30 PM FSQA (Food Safety Quality Assurance) Certification Program: Youth exhibiting market beef, market sheep, swine, meat goat, market broilers/roasters, market turkeys, rabbit meat pens, or rabbit single fryers at the 2004 Story County Youth Fair must be FSQA certified. And 4-H'ers exhibiting beef (breeding or market) or swine (breeding included) at the 2004 Iowa State Fair must be FSQA certified. **The certification program is being offered one last time before the fair. You will be contacted by July 2nd if you entered in a county fair market class and are not certified. You must be certified to exhibit in the market classes.** Youth that were ages 12-18 on January 1st can test out by contacting the Extension Office. Youth ages 9-11 on January 1st are required to attend the certification program.

Sincerely,

Mary Wilkins
County Youth Coordinator
mwilkins@iastate.edu

Story County Activities

- May 26** **Horse School occurs every Wednesday**
6:00 -8:00 pm on the Story County Fairgrounds. Bring your horse, tack, helmet, jeans, and boots each time. School occurs rain or shine. Work on horsemanship, showmanship, banding, barrels, etc.
- May 25th** **Dog Classes begin**
Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm on the lawn South of the ISU Vet Med Building. For questions, contact Val at 515-233-2391.
- May/June** **Llama Meetings**
Each session will include information llama basics and practice opportunities for showmanship and obstacles. Chores will include feeding and grooming llamas and clean up. For more information, contact Jack and Cheryl at 515-387-8762 or che-jak1@prairieinet.net.
- June 5th** **Bottle Bucket Identification Process**
4-H'ers in grades 4-6 and Clover Kids in grades K-3 can identify a calf. Calves from a beef or dairy breed must have been born between March 1st and May 31st. The youth will be able to exhibit these calves at the 2004 Story County Youth Fair. Calves will receive a 4-H eartag for identification and basic healthcare including recording their weight and administering vaccinations. Fair entry forms will be available at this event.
- June 10th** **Builder Club/County Council Meeting**
5:00 – 6:30 pm at the Extension Office. Builder's Club and County Council groups are going to be combined into one group. The group will do activities that both groups have done. Members may apply to serve on the leadership team for the combined group. Important beginning information will be provided at the meeting. This is a time to ask questions and share suggestions to help with this transition. All 4-H'ers currently in grades 8-12 and parents are invited to attend. At 6:30, there will be pizza for \$2.00 per person. Please let Mary know if you are able to attend so she can order the pizzas. Call 515-382-6551 or email mwilkins@iastate.edu.
- June 27-28** **Story County 4-H Intermediate Camp held at the Iowa 4-H Center**
For youth currently in 7-9 grade. The camp will begin Sunday, June 27th at 7pm and end June 28th at 5pm. Transportation is not provided. Parents/Volunteers are needed help with the camp, including staying overnight. Camp details are almost finalized. There will be fun nature and team activities and a campfire! Cost will be \$40 per youth. Interested youth/parents should contact the Extension Office at 515-382-6551 or email Mary mwilkins@iastate.edu. Information will then be mailed to you after June 1st.
- Sewers** I am looking at picking out and scheduling workshops for the next year (beginning in September). I would appreciate any feed back on what and when would work for those that are interested. Let me know. Thank you! Sonya - oxfrdfm@huxcomm.net or 515-597-2052.
- Camp** Story County Youth Fair: If your family is interested in camping at the fairgrounds, then contact Carl at 515-383-2232. Please leave a message. Be sure to leave your name and phone number.
- Fair Books** Available from your club leader.

Congratulations to Garrett and Nick who competed in the ISU Livestock Judging Contest on April 24th. Garrett placed 4th overall and Nick placed 5th overall!

Additional Opportunities

A District Dairy Show will occur at the Story County Fairgrounds in Nevada on Saturday, July 10th. There is no pre-registration. Check-in will occur at 10:00 am on July 10th. Participants will need to bring a copy of their 4-H Dairy Identification Form. The show will begin at 11:00 am and a potluck will follow the show. A fee has not been determined yet. Livestock will be released the same day. Animals will be tied and shown in the Bob Williams Arena. For questions, contact Charles at 515-460-1282.

Iowa Meat Goat Association Summer Field Day will be held July 17th.

The field day will occur at the residence of Eric and Deb, 73860 280th Street, State Center. The program that day will cover the Finch Farm, Introduction to the FAMACHA parasite control program, Goat Selection and Buck Management for Reproduction. Speakers will be Drs. Suelee Robbe-Austerman and Dan Morrill. Cost for the program is \$10.00 per person and includes lunch. Start time is 10 am. If interested, contact Eric at 641-493-2203 or 641-485-1376.

4-H is HOT for ART at the Des Moines Art Festival June 25-27th.

4-H, ISU Extension, and Iowa State University are hosting a bridge at the **Des Moines Arts Festival** June 25, 26, 27. There will be a number of activities for kids. This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase Iowa 4-H and the fun positive youth development that happens in the program. The Des Moines Arts Festival organizers expect 10,000 folks to walk this bridge!

To make this a success, a lot of volunteers are needed to help out during the festival. Volunteers 12 years and older are accepted, so 4-H members can be a part of this opportunity as well. Volunteer perks include: a free Des Moines Arts Festival t-shirt (there will also be a 4-H Clover on our volunteers' shirts!), free snacks and beverages at Volunteer Headquarters, and meet artists from around the country. Volunteer shifts are 4 hours long, so clubs or individuals could volunteer for part of the day and spend the rest of the day exploring the Arts Festival. For those 4-H'ers involved in Visual Arts, this is a great opportunity to practice communication and perform community service as an outgrowth of their project area.

How to volunteer? There are two simple ways!

Go online and fill out the form at http://www.desmoinesartsfestival.org/volunteers/volunteer_application.php

To volunteer for 4-H, make sure you indicate Children's Arts Activities, mark the hours you want to volunteer, supply your contact information, and under "**Special Qualifications**" indicate you are volunteering for 4-H. Or, you can call Lori at 515-288-2258 ext. 104 and ask her to send you a volunteer application in the mail. **On the paper application, write in "volunteer for 4-H" on the first choice line.**

The Iowa 4-H Center is near Madrid, Iowa in Boone County. For information, view the website www.extension.iastate.edu/4hcenter. Color brochures are available at the Extension Office. Camp registrations will still be accepted with the adjusted camp fee. Financial assistance may be available.

Weekend Family Camp, 7:00pm June 25 – 11:00am June 27

Take a break from your busy summer schedule and enjoy a great family get-away at the Iowa 4-H Center. Enjoy camp crafts, the climbing tower, campfire program with smores, canoeing down the Des Moines River, a creek walk, games, a scenic valley train ride, and much more! \$75 per adult and \$60 per youth 14 years old and under covers meals, lodging, and activities for the weekend. All ages welcome!

What sets us apart?

Iowa 4-H is a youth development program with a **century of experience** fostering positive life skills in Iowa youth. At the Iowa 4-H Center every camper has the opportunity to participate in experiences that strengthen their sense of **belonging, independence, generosity, and mastery**. Iowa 4-H camping follows the principals of experiential learning, and draws on the knowledge base of Iowa State University and competent professional and student staff. We care about your children!

MARSHALL COUNTY OPEN HORSE SHOW

Sunday, July 18, 2004 9:00 a.m.

Central Iowa Fairgrounds, Marshalltown, Iowa
Entry \$4.00 (\$2 office, \$2 jackpot) **ADDED MONEY**

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| 1. Pony halter, under 56" | 11. Showmanship (8 & under) |
| 2. Yearling Studs & Geldings | 12. Novice Showmanship |
| 3. 2 & 3 yr old Studs & Geldings | 13. 4-H Showmanship |
| 4. 4 yr old & older Studs & Geldings | 14. Yearling Longe-Line (5 min warm-up) |
| GRAND & RESERVE STUDS & GELDINGS | 15. Lead-Line (8 & under) |
| 5. Yearling Mares | 16. English Pleasure |
| 6. 2 & 3 yr old Mares | 17. Youth English Pleasure (18 & under) |
| 7. 4 yr old & older Mares | 18. English Equitation |
| GRAND & RESERVE MARES | 19. Youth English Equitation (18 & under) |
| 8. Showmanship (19 & over) | 20. Open Trail |
| 9. Showmanship (14-18) | 21. Youth Trail (18 & under) |
| 10. Showmanship (13 & under) | |

Approximate 30 minute break: performance will not start before 12 noon

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| 22. Walk-Trot (8 & under) | 35. Adult Western Pleasure |
| 23. Pony Pleasure | 36. Youth Western Pleasure (14-18) |
| 24. Walk-Trot (19 & over) | 37. Youth Western Pleasure (13 & under) |
| 25. Walk-Trot (14-18) | 38. Novice Western Pleasure |
| 26. Walk-Trot (13 & under) | 39. Quarter Horse Western Pleasure |
| 27. Novice Walk-Trot | 40. 4-H Horsemanship |
| 28. Jackpot Western Pleasure (\$8 jackpot & \$2 office) | 41. Horsemanship (19 & over) |
| 29. 2yr old Western Pleasure | 42. Horsemanship (14-18) |
| 30. Senior Western Pleasure (horse 6 & older) | 43. Horsemanship (13 & under) |
| 31. Jack Benny Western Pleasure (39 & over) | 44. Novice Horsemanship (no pattern) |
| 32. Junior Western Pleasure (horse 5 & under) | 45. Barrels |
| 33. Other Breed Western Pleasure | 46. Youth Barrels (18 & under) |
| 34. 4-H Western Pleasure | 47. Poles |
| | 48. Youth Poles (18 & under) |

Jack Pot 40-30-20-10

Information contact: 641-753-0501

Lunch Stand on Grounds

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS

Junior horses (horses 5 yrs old or younger) may be ridden two-handed in any class with snaffle or bosal. Novice riders are limited to novice classes and 4-H classes. Stallions may not be shown by any Novice or Youth. ALL PROFITS WILL BE DONATED TO THE MARSHALL COUNTY HORSE 4-H PROGRAM.

Story County 4-H Calendar

June

- 1 IFFAA Scholarship Due
- 1 Iowa State Fair 4-H Market Broiler Forms Due to the State 4-H Office
- 1 Iowa State Fair Exhibits Building Youth and Adult Staff applications due to the State 4-H Office
- 5 Bottle/ Bucket Weigh-in – 9 am, Story County Fairgrounds
- 8 4-H State Horse Judging Contest, Kirkwood Community College
- 10 Combined Builder Club & County Council Meeting, Extension Office
- 14-17 Iowa Agricultural Youth Institute (IAYI) Camp held at ISU
- 25 **Story County Fair Entries Due** to the Extension Office
- 25 **4-H Projects Must Be Identified** with the Extension Office
- 27-28 Intermediate 4-H Camp, Iowa 4-H Center

June 29-July 1 State 4-H Conference

July 1 **State Fair Entries Due to the Extension Office**

July 9-11 Photography and Visual Art Exhibits at North Grand Mall

July 18 Inspiration Program

July 23-28 Story County Youth Fair dates

August 4-6 Junior 4-H Camp (Story, Boone, & Green Counties)

August 12-22 Iowa State Fair

Websites:

Story County Extension

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/story>

4-H Weekly News

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

Iowa State Fair 4-H Livestock Show Schedules

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/Livestocksch.pdf>

Work or Volunteer at the Iowa State Fair

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

Iowa State Fair

<http://www.iowastatefair.com/>

For 4-H'ers in grades 5-12 interested in the Iowa State Fair Market Broiler division: There is still time to purchase 50 birds and exhibit five in the market broiler division. Form and payment is due June 1. If interested, contact the Extension office.

AK-SAR-BEN booklets are available at the Extension Office. There are four horse qualifying shows in Iowa. See <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/Aksarben.pdf>

NCRVF

North Central Region Volunteer Forum is set for November 11-14 in Indianapolis, Indiana. The website is www.fourh.purdue.edu/ncrvf. Financial assistance may be available. More information will be available soon.

<p>Rabbits for Sale: From a Hamilton County 4-H'er Breeds: Minirex, Britania Petites, and Netherland Dwarfs Call 515-838-8000 or email johnsonrabbits@globalccs.net</p>	<p>Rabbits for Sale: Purebred Harlequins, 6 months old Prefer that the pair stay together Have been fed with an eyedropper since day 2 They are very tame, gentle and intelligent! \$40 for the cage, water bottle and food Contact Ryan at 515-292-3235 or 515-296-2370.</p>
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IFFAA Scholarships

The Iowa Foundation For Agricultural Advancement (IFFAA) is making available 25 scholarships, totaling \$31,000, to Iowa youth who are involved in agricultural and livestock projects. IFFAA is a non-profit organization of individuals and corporations whose goal is to support youth agricultural and livestock project work in Iowa including sponsorship of the "Sale of Champions" at the Iowa State Fair. The complete Scholarship List for Incoming Freshman in the fall of 2004 at any four or two year post-secondary institution in Iowa and a Scholarship Application are available at: www.iowastatefair.org/saleofchamps and click on Scholarships. Applicant should major in Animal Science or a curriculum in Agriculture or Consumer Sciences that is related to the agricultural industry. Questions and requests for information may be directed to Linda at 515-685-3719 or weldonlinda@hotmail.com . **Applications for scholarships must be postmarked by June 1, 2004 and should be sent to: Winner's Circle Scholarship, c/o SGI, 30805 595th Ave., Cambridge, IA 50046.**

Stage Coach Stables schedule of events . . . And there will be more to come! Nicole, Program Manager can be reached at 515-232-0999.

Sunday May 30	Trail Ride
Monday June 7 thru Friday June 11	General Horsemanship Camp, ages 6 - 16, 9:00am- 3:00pm
Monday June 14	Schooling Show
Sunday June 20	Trail Ride
Monday June 21 to Friday June 25	Western Riding Camp, ages 6 - 16, 9:00am - 3:00pm
Monday June 28 to Friday July 2	4- H Horse n' Around Camp, contact your local 4- H Club
Monday July 5	Schooling Show
Monday July 12 to Friday July 16	4- H Horse n' Around Camp, contact you local 4-H Club
Saturday July 31	Trail Ride