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Hot Tip of the Month



June – the official count down to fair begins. Don't wait until the night before judging day to complete your write-up for fair. Start your write-up when you start your exhibit. The write-up is just as important as the actual exhibit.

These questions are the same questions that judges will talk with 4-H members during the judging process.

The Famous Four...and a bonus question

1. What was your goal? (What did you want to learn by making this exhibit?)
2. How did you go about working toward your goal? (What steps did you take to complete this exhibit? How much money and time was spent to complete this exhibit?)
3. What were the most important things you learned as you worked towards your goal? (What did you learn? What surprises did you have? What was the hardest part about making your exhibit? What was the easiest part about making your exhibit?)
4. Would you like to do something in this project area next year? If so, what would you like to try?

Bonus question – for those enrolled in visual art, home improvement, or clothing include information on design elements and art principles. Not sure what the elements are principles are? Visit this website: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/linn/info/4-h+links.htm> for more information. Click on doing design elements or art principles – located near the top of the page. Make sure to check your county fair book requirements for more information.

Silent Auction Gift Baskets

This year at the fair there will be a Silent Auction with gift baskets. The proceeds from this auction will go into the Clinton County Extension Endowment Fund. If your club is planning on putting together a basket, please let me know so we know what we can expect. If you already have a theme for your basket, that would be helpful also. Guidelines and ideas for baskets have been posted on the Clinton County Extension Website. Have fun and be creative!!!





Last Chance for FSQA

I have sent out reminders to those who have not completed their FSQA requirements. However another reminder may not hurt. 4-H members over 12 may come into the Extension Office and test out. For those who are not eligible to test out, there are still two FSQA sessions remaining in our area. There will be one on June 15th in Jackson County at 1:30 p.m. and another on June 17th in Jones County at 7:00 p.m. For more details, FSQA information is on our county website, or you can give us a call at the office at 659-5125.

Photography Workshop

We will be hosting a photography workshop on June 27th at the Fairgrounds. We will have a photographer there to teach about exposure, focusing, details, lighting, and what judges are looking for. Please encourage your club members to attend. 4-H'ers need to call the Extension Office to register. There is no cost, but if we don't have enough kids signed up, we will have to cancel it. Registration deadline is June 15th.

If you have any ideas for other workshops that your 4-Her's would like to attend, please contact Wendy at 659-5125 or wproctor@iastate.edu. I would really like to have more workshops like this, but attendance is continually low. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

Pancake Breakfast

We will be hosting a 4-H Pancake Breakfast on July 12th from 8 to noon at the Clinton County Fairgrounds food pavilion. Proceeds from this breakfast will go towards enrollment fees for all 4-Hers in the 2009-2010 year. Please tell all of your friends and family to come out and support our 4-H youth program and help kick off the fair season.

We will also be sending out meal tickets for your club members to sell in advance. Look for those in the near future. If anyone has a good spot they know of to hang a flyer, let me know and I will get one out to you.

Local Shows

We only have the date for one local show. If you have your local show set up, please let me know when it will be and I will put them in next month's newsletter.



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Dates to Remember

June 26th - County Fair Entry Forms due

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***Extension Office closes at 3:00 p.m.
on the 26th**

July 1st - State Fair 4-H Livestock/
Horticulture entries due to the Extension
Office (Entryforms are available in the office
for pick-up)

July 12th - 4-H Pancake Breakfast from 8:00 to
12:00 at the food pavilion on the Clinton
County Fairgrounds. (Proceeds go toward
4-H enrollment fees for next year)

July 15th - Fall 2008 and Spring 2009

Volunteer Trainings must be completed.



Missing 4-H Forms

We are still missing medical and ethics forms from the following 4-H'ers:

Code of Ethics

Ellie Besst

Alexis Campie

Kaytlinn Duesing

Jonathan Gautreaux

Sara Gautreaux

Brock Goodall

Brennan Ketelsen

Ryan Ketelsen

Sierra Moore

Fletcher Paulsen

Medical Forms

Kelly Andersen

Emily Bray

Austin Forret

Kyle Forret

Jonathan Gautreaux

Sara Gautreaux

Lauren Heilig

Derek Henningsen

Alexandra Hunter

Ryan Ketelsen

Brian Kruse

Mackenzie Kuehn

Jennifer Lane

Seirra Moore

Fletcher Paulsen

Please remind these members again that these forms must be turned in or they will not be allowed to show at the County Fair.

