

# IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

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## MAY 2009 4-H NEWSLETTER

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### May

- 1 - Iowa Agricultural Youth Institute applications **DUE**
- 5 - Dog Project meeting, 6pm @ Wayne County Fairgrounds
- 9 - *Wayne County Sheep Weigh in @ Wayne County Fairground 9 a.m. - noon*
- 13 - 4-H'ers for 4-H money **DUE** into Extension Office
- 15 - Livestock ID Forms **DUE**
- 15 - Intermediate Trip applications **DUE**
- 15 - Registration for Cyclone Horse Judging Camp **DUE**
- 20 - Older Youth Council (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) 7 pm @ Extension Office
- 29 - Junior camp registrations **DUE** (applications @ Extension Office)
- 30 - 4-H Night with the Iowa Barnstormers, Wellmark Blue- Cross Blueshield Field, 7:05 p.m.

#### June

- 1 - Iowa State Fair Vet Camp Registration **DUE**
- 8-11 Iowa Agricultural Youth Intestate - ISU Campus
- 10-11 Intermediate Trip to Omaha
- 11-13 - Cyclone Horse Judging Camp - Ames
- 14-17 - Junior 4-H Camp - Madrid
- 19 - 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Seymour Lamb 4-H / FFA Show
- 29-30 - Livestock Entry Days @ Extension Office
- 30 - July 2 State 4-H Conference/Animal Science Roundup - Ames

#### July

- 8 - Communications, Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection, \$15 Challenge Judging Day -Corydon Methodist Church, 9 am
- 22-27 Wayne County Fair

#### August

- 13-23 Iowa State Fair

*Horse Project* - they meet every Sunday from 2-4 @ Trails End Arena, Allerton

*Dog Project* - they meet every Tuesday night, 6 pm @ Wayne County Fairgrounds

### Volunteers needed!!!







Shooting Sports coordinator - for more information go to:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/SESS/shootingsports.html> Without someone, this program will be discontinued.

### Did You know?

Eighth graders in 4-H score higher than non 4-H students in: Selecting positive life goals & Overcoming Obstacles in the way of goals

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# LIVESTOCK

## VERY USEFUL WEBSITE

Please bookmark this on your computers. This site will help answer a lot of your question and some forms are available here as well. <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/livestockhandbook.htm>

## MARKET SHEEP AND MEAT GOAT WEIGH IN

Animals must be born on or **AFTER** February 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. Sheep – a maximum of 15 head can be weighed in, meat goats (males only) – a maximum of 10 head.

## **\*\*MAY 15 – LIVESTOCK ID'S DUE\*\***

This is to identify any animals (except rabbits, poultry and pets) that may be shown at the county fair. You want to identify ALL animals that might possibly be shown – example: you plan on showing one horse at fair but you have two of them. Make sure they are both identified in case something happens to the first horse. The actual classes that you want to show in will be due at Entry Days the end of June (watch the newsletter for dates).

**What animals:** Breeding beef, breeding sheep, dairy cattle, dairy goats, meat goats (females), swine, dogs, and horses. Market beef, sheep, and male meat goats were identified when they weighed in.

**What you need:** Identification numbers (ear tags, ear notches for pigs), registration numbers if required, birthdates, tattoo numbers, scrapies information (sheep and goats), breed info, and vaccination info (dogs).

The forms are available at the Extension Office. *If the animal is NOT ID'ed they will not be eligible to show.* The forms must be completed and IN the Extension Office no later than **May 15<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m.**

Limits:

Purebred & Commercial Breeding Beef: 6 head maximum

Dairy cows and goats: 10 head maximum

Dog: 3 head maximum

Horse: 4 head maximum

Purebred & Commercial Breeding Sheep: 10 head maximum

Purebred & Commercial Breeding Swine : 10 head maximum

Market Swine: 20 purebred market, 20 crossbred market, 20 purebred derby, 20 crossbred derby

Meat Goats: 10 head maximum

## COW/CALF CLASS

Due to the possible lack of livestock space it has been decided that cow/calf projects will be released following the show. The Grand Champion Cow/Calf and Grand Champion 1<sup>st</sup> Calf Heifer/Calf will be expected to stay. Entry fee for the cow/calf will now be \$4.00 / pair.

## 16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SEYMOUR LAMB SHOW

Open to all 4-H & FFA members, special class for kids under 4-H age

Friday **June 19, 2009**, weigh in 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. show at 6:00 p.m.

Location: Seymour Community Schools Tennis Courts

Entry Fees: Market lambs and ewes \$10

Awards: \$100 Champion Market & Commercial Ewe, \$50 Reserve Market & Commercial Ewe

Class money will be paid out after all expenses are accounted for

Showmanship is \$1.00 jackpot to winner in each division (Jr. 12 & under, Int 13-15, Sr. 16-21)

NPCLA Sanctioned Point Show

Judge: Michael Lash

Sponsored by the Seymour FFA Chapter

For more information contact Stephanie Lukavsky @ 641-898-2291 or [Stephanie.lukavsky@gpaea.k12.ia.us](mailto:Stephanie.lukavsky@gpaea.k12.ia.us)

## DOG PROJECT MEETINGS

The first dog project meeting will be held April 28<sup>th</sup>. They will meet every Tuesday, from now until fair time. The meeting will be held at the Wayne County Fairground (usually in the Exhibit Bldg) starting at 6 pm. You are **required** to attend three meetings to be eligible to show at fair.

## **HORSE PROJECT MEETINGS**

The horse group meets every Sunday from 2-4 at Trails End Arena (south of Allerton). More meetings will be planned as the weather gets nicer. Watch the newsletter for more information. You are **required** to attend one safety meeting (one will be planned before the fair) and two project meetings with your horse to be eligible to show. Remember, helmets are **required** to be worn at these meetings if you are riding.

## **SPONSORS NEEDED**

As of this newsletter, we are in search of sponsors for the Overall Derby Champion Trophy, and Walk-Trot class trophies (two classes – Jr. and Sr.). Also if anyone is interested in helping pay for the Swine Ultrasound we would greatly appreciate it– it is currently \$5/ head and there will be no more than 8 hogs. The Cattleman pick up the tab for the beef ultrasound. Please call the Extension Office if you are interested in helping out with any of these. THANK YOU!

## **IOWA STATE FAIR INFORMATION**

Iowa State Fair Premium Books will be on line only again this year. If you have access to a computer the website is: <http://www.iowastatefair.org/competition/howtoenter.php#4h>. Please keep in mind that ALL entries MUST come through the county extension office. If you don't have access to a computer, please come to the Extension Office and we will get you the information.

The 2009 Livestock Judging Schedule can be found at:

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

## **4-H HORSE ENTHUSIASTS – WIN A FREE MUSTANG**

A free Mustang horse, that is. In June, Gentle Mustang Connection and Quantum Horseman will be giving away a gentled mustang to a lucky 4-H youngster. The horse is absolutely free, no strings attached, as a way to showcase the American Mustang breed of horse. The recipient will be able to use the horse as a 4-H project, thus spreading the word about the usefulness and beauty of this breed. To enter, go to [www.quantumhorseman.com](http://www.quantumhorseman.com) and look on the 4-H page. For more information, contact Linda Adams at [mustangtreat@yahoo.com](mailto:mustangtreat@yahoo.com), or Diane Swick at [lazyspurranch@yahoo.com](mailto:lazyspurranch@yahoo.com).

## **2009 IOWA STATE FAIR VET CAMP**

One of the most popular programs during the 2008 Iowa State Fair, Vet Camp is an educational, exciting, hands-on learning program aimed at encouraging children ages 10-18 to learn about animal health, welfare and what it is like to be an animal doctor. Vet Camp is a two hour program focusing on both large and small animal veterinary medicine. Vet Camp is FREE with paid Fair admission. Only 30 spots are available per session and sessions will be assigned according to the date received.

Registration forms can be found online at: [www.iowastatefair.org](http://www.iowastatefair.org) or at the Extension Office. Forms are DUE **June 1**. Session are: Thur, Aug 13; Sat, Aug 15; Tue, Aug 18; Wed, Aug 19; Thur, Aug 20; Sun, Aug 23.

## **OTHER 4-H INFORMATION**

### **WAYNE COUNTY 4-H FUNDRAISER**

The 4-H Committee is asking each 4-H family to sell a minimum of 2 Pizza Hut cards. These cards can be used at any Pizza Hut for 25% off your order. They can be used on regular priced items (lunch buffet, coupons, specials not included). Leaders will be passing out the cards. If you are interested in more cards they can be gotten at the Extension Office. Checks can be made out to the Wayne County 4-H. Money can be given to your leaders or brought in to the Extension Office.

Everyone, in 4-H benefits from this money. This money helps pay for program fees. (These would make great graduation gifts!)

Thank you for helping with fundraiser.

### **USEFUL WEB SITES**

If you are interested in the Clothing Event you will find forms and useful information here:

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

If you are interested in the Communication Events you will find forms and useful information here:

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

The Iowa State Fair website is: <http://www.iowastatefair.org/>

## **INAPPROPRIATE FOOD EXHIBITS FOR IOWA 4-H FAIRS**

Inappropriate Food Exhibits for Iowa 4-H Fairs, 4H 3023, April 2009, is available at EDC or for download at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/Publications/4H3023.pdf>. The links for this piece have also been updated on the public 4-H State Fair, Evaluating 4-H Exhibits Handbook, and 4-H Iowa State Fair Handbook web pages.

## **4-H CLOTHING EVENT RULES CLARIFICATION**

There have been a couple questions about project enrollment requirements for participation in the Iowa State Fair 4-H Clothing Event. Participants in The \$15 Challenge and Clothing Selection do not have to be enrolled in the clothing project. Participants in Fashion Revue (constructed items) must be enrolled in the Clothing project. Other information can be found in the Iowa State Fair Handbook at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/StateFair/Staff/SFHandbook.html>. Scroll to 6-F1 and 6-F2.

## **STITCH THIS! – 4-H DESIGN CHALLENGE**

*Stitch This! is a 16-hour fashion design competition for Iowa high-school youth inspired by the hit TV show "Project Runway". The competition will involve teams of youth working together to deconstruct wedding dresses and design them into new wearable garments, which will culminate into a runway-style fashion show during the 2009 Iowa State Fair.*

*The grand prize winning team will have the opportunity to share their talents with Michele Beschen, host and creator of "Courage to Create," "B. Original" and "B. Organic" TV shows. Michele was recently featured on "Rachel Ray." The winning team and their project will be featured on the set of "B.Original" which will air fall/winter 2009. Youth will learn about developing their creative ideas and nurturing their talents.*

*The Iowa 4-H Stitch This! event will be a fun opportunity for youth across the state to express their creativity, design style and fashion sense. We hope that participants will catch a glimpse of what 4-H is all about, and how many different ways one can excel in any individual interest area.*

Here's how the competition works: Each team will be assigned a wedding dress. Over the course of two days, each team will take the dress apart and will use their creativity to design and construct a wearable garment from the pieces. Each team will be paired with an ISU Textiles and Clothing student who will provide direction and overall expertise on patternmaking and construction.

Stitch This! will take place on Friday and Saturday, August 21-22, 2009, at the 4-H Exhibit Building on the Iowa State Fairgrounds in Des Moines, Iowa. Youth can apply in teams of four, and nine teams will be selected to compete.

*To apply, teams need to submit a written application online at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/StateFair/stitchthisreg.htm> (or print off the PDF form and mail it in), as well as upload a video application to YouTube and e-mail the video link to [iowa4h@iastate.edu](mailto:iowa4h@iastate.edu). The video will then be posted on the 4-H YouTube channel, <http://www.youtube.com/iowa4h>.*

*Applications are due by June 1, 2009. Teams will be selected by July 1, 2009 and will be announced at the State 4-H Conference. All Iowa high-school youth who have completed grades 9, 10, 11 or 12 are eligible to apply. At least one youth on each team must be a 4-H member.*

**Website:** <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/StateFair/stitchthis.htm>

## **4-H LEGACY GROWTH FUND**

The Iowa 4-H Foundation Club Legacy Growth Fund is a "new" revolving fund to help counties strengthen or start new 4-H clubs or address quality issues and needs in current clubs. A county 4-H program or 4-H Club may apply for awards up to \$500. In the spirit of 4-H, each grantee will be asked to repay 75% of the award at the end of a two year period. This provides the revolving fund sustainability to support club improvement and growth. You can be a part of this groundbreaking effort as a potential grantee and as a contributor to the fund. By working together, we can create something bigger than could happen individually, and thus make a tremendous impact on the future of youth in the Iowa 4-H program.

Whether you give \$10 or \$100, \$25 or \$250, now is the time to begin a 4-H Legacy! Make checks payable to: Iowa 4-H Foundation; Place in the memo: 4-H Club Legacy Growth Fund.

You may choose to make your gift on-line to the Iowa 4-H Foundation <https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/donate/> Click on the 4-H Foundation Logo to the left. Type in your gift amount, select "Sustaining 4-H Programs and Recognition" and then select "4-H Club Legacy Growth Fund" as you make your gift. Select "Next" to provide your credit card information.

## **4-H DISCOUNT EVENT TICKETS**

### **Iowa State Center and Wells Fargo Offer 4-H Discounted Ticket Prices**

**Stephens Auditorium** in Ames is celebrating 40 years of performing arts by offering discounted tickets for 4-H members and families to see any of their [2008-2009 shows](#). No ticket minimum required. Just use the [4-H Order Form](#)

#### **Iowa State Center:**

May 1 – Australian Chamber Orchestra

#### **Wells Fargo Arena:**

May 7 – Kenny Chesney

May 8 & 9 - PBR Des Moines Classic

May 15 -17 – Sesame Street Live: When Elmo Grows Up

May 23 – 25 Iowa Renaissance Festival & Gathering O’Celts

May 24 – Andre Rieu

May 29 – Bill Gaither and the Homecoming Friends

June 12 – Coldplay

June 22 - Mormon Tabernacle Choir

June 27 – Keith Urban & Taylor Swift

*For more ticket information contact Event Discounts: [www.Iowa4hfoundation.org](http://www.Iowa4hfoundation.org)*

#### **4-H Night with the Iowa Barnstormers**

Saturday, May 30, 2009, Wellmark BlueCross BlueShield Field @ 7:05 p.m. Tickets are \$10 (200 level endzone) - \$21 (100 level sidelines). Order forms can be gotten at the Extension Office. Leaders will also get a copy.



## **LEADERS SECTION**

**\*\*FILE CLUB TAX INFO \*\*** - Several of you still need to file your club’s tax information. If you have questions or have misplaced the information I sent to you, please call the Extension Office. This **MUST** be done by **MAY 15**. They will send a notice to the Extension Office by email when you have completed this. I am told this is a quick and painless process.

**CLUB DUES** –Washington Willing Workers and Walnut Monroe Lone Tree still need to pay their club dues - \$5/member.

**CLUB FOLDERS** – Leader’s please be sure and stop in, or call in, to pick up information for your clubs.

**LEADERS TRAININGS** - Two of these (spring and fall) are **REQUIRED**. If you have missed the training session you can come to the Extension Office and pick up a DVD or view on line. Online training can be found at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hvolunteers>. When you have completed the online training the State Office will send a notice to our office.

Wayne County property tax dollars support the Wayne County Extension Office. These tax dollars come to us through the Agricultural Extension District tax levy. The elected nine-member Extension Council is responsible for these funds.  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

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