Nearly 50 youth attended the FSQA and livestock and ag day on May 14. They gained livestock showmanship skills, drove a hands-free Case IH Scout and saw a UAV and Quadcopter drone demonstration.
Sr. Scholarships Awarded

The Monona County 4-H Fund Board is pleased to award four 4-H scholarships of $250 each. Recipients were active 4-H members for at least four years with two of those years being their junior and senior years of high school. A reception was held on May 17 to honor all recipients.

4-H’ers receiving scholarships are: Alexa Lloyd, Andrew O’Neal, Allie Miller and Jeremy Parr.

Congratulations to the Class of 2016. We hope you carry 4-H values with you in all your future endeavors.

Special 4-H Awards

4-H members are encouraged to apply for special 4-H awards. Applications are due June 10. These include: Outstanding Junior, Outstanding Intermediate, Margaret Coberly Award, Junior Merit, Intermediate Merit, Senior Merit, AK-SAR-BEN, Danforth Award, achievement, citizenship, agriculture, and leadership. An application can be found at extension.iastate.edu/monona or you can pick one up at the Extension Office. Recognition will be given during the fair with presentations on Saturday afternoon.

4-H Foundation Golf Tournament June 18

The Monona County 4-H Foundation will be hosting their Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 18, 2016 at the Onawa Golf Course with a 9:00 am Shot Gun Start. We are looking for teams to participate. Cost for a team of 4 is $200 which includes 18 holes, meal and one team mulligan per 9 holes, (carts available for rental of $15, call course ahead of time), and pin prizes on every hole (no money prizes). Contact the Monona County Extension Office if you would like to sign up a team. Funds help support 4-H Senior scholarships, 4-H members’ enrollment fee and special event scholarships.

Sign Up for 4-H Summer Camps

There are spaces available in our summer camps, but you must sign up right away! The Monona County 4-H Foundation provides scholarships to help cover up to 1/3 of county, state or regional camps. Call the office if you are interested in applying.

4-H Project Camp June 2—3rd-12th grades. Create finished products with goal sheets for the fair. Learn about photography, woodworking, communications, food & nutrition and more! $15

Outdoor Adventure Camp June 6, 7, 8—4th-12th grades. Experience canoeing, fishing, hiking, archery, outdoor survival, outdoor cooking, Lewis & Clark History & artifacts and more. Camp includes a backpack filled with outdoor essentials. $40

Clover Kids Camp June 16—K-3rd grade. Explore all the fun that hands-on learning can be! $10

Jr. 4-H Camp June 21—3rd-6th grades. A summer classic! Hands-on education, outdoor games and swimming. Camp is led by Sr. 4-H members of the County 4-H Council. $15

Babysitting Workshop June 28 or 29—4th-6th grades. Hands—on instruction to help students make decisions and take on the important responsibility of babysitting. Learn about growth and development of babies, toy safety, CPR and more. $10

Back-to-School Overnight Campout August 19-20—4th-12th graders. Stay overnight at camp Nebowa near Onawa. Special feature of camp is the bug team from ISU that includes cockroach races and much more. Price is to be determined.
**COUNTY NEWS**

**4-H Premium Fund**

4-H families, local businesses and individuals are invited to support the 4-H premium fund. This fund offers positive reinforcement to all county fair exhibitors for their hard work and dedication to all project areas. The money collected is distributed to exhibiting 4-H'ers according to a weighted formula for each exhibit area.

Donor signs will be displayed in the 4-H Exhibit Building and in the Livestock Show Barn during the fair to thank those who contributed. Donations should be made payable to “Monona County Extension.” Please feel free to call the Extension Office if you have any questions. Thank you for your support!

**COUNTY NEWS**

**4-H Silent Auction**

Thanks to everyone on the success of the Monona County 4-H Silent Auction the last 12 years. The silent auction provides funds for the Monona County 4-H Foundation which pays college scholarships to eligible graduating 4-H seniors.

The 13th annual silent auction will be held at the 2016 Monona County Fair. Talk it over in your 4-H meetings and consider donating again. Please contact the Extension Office by May 31 to report on your donation.

**COUNTY FAIR NEWS**

**2016 Fair Book**

Visit extension.iastate.edu/Monona to find the link to the 2016 Monona County Fair book.

Hard-copies of the books will be printed and distributed through your 4-H leaders soon. Each family will receive 1 book.

**COUNTY FAIR NEWS**

**Clothing and Communications Judging**

Entries are due June 1 for all Clothing and Communications projects for the fair. Judging will be at the Faith Lutheran Church in Onawa on Tuesday, July 5th.

Find forms that are due with your exhibit on July 5 at: extension.iastate.edu/Monona/mononacountyfair. All paper forms can also be picked up at the Extension Office.

**COUNTY FAIR NEWS**

**4-H Pie Auction**

The 4-H pie auction is a fundraiser that adds money to support local county 4-H programs. Any club member or members can bake a pie for this. Bring your pie on judging day, Wednesday, July 13th to be judged. The auction will be during the opening ceremony on Wednesday evening.
**Open Class Entries**

4-H’ers and Monona County Residents are invited to enter exhibits in the Monona County Fair Open Class competition. All ages are invited. Open class rules can be found at mononacountyfair.com and the back section of your fair book.

Display your best work to spruce up Floral Hall at the fair. Participants will receive premium dollars according to ribbon placings.

**Recipes and Copyright**

Be sure to follow proper copyright guidelines when using a recipe for food and nutrition projects. You must site the source. For example—if it originates from the Betty Crocker Cookbook, list the name and date of publication.

If the recipe was found on Pinterest, be sure to click through to find the original webpage source. Do not list Pinterest as the source.

**Sewing Challenge**

Are you ready for another challenge in sewing? Do you want to make something to give to others? The Monona County Sewing Challenge combines the Sewing and Needle Arts and Citizenship Projects into one fun challenge event. Your task for 2016 is to make a lap quilt from at least 50% denim material. Any pattern is acceptable. We look forward to seeing these unique entries at the 2016 fair!

**Livestock Entries Due July 1**

All livestock entries for all animals are due to the Extension Office by July 1, 2016. Class descriptions can be found at [www.extension.iastate.edu/monona/2015-monona-county-fair](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/monona/2015-monona-county-fair). State fair entries must be done online by 11:59 p.m. July 1st. You will be disqualified to show if you miss the July 1st entry deadline.

**Animal Health Affidavit Required at Fair Check-In**

Raising an animal or animals that will enter the food chain is a large responsibility. As a 4-H’er you have an obligation to be a responsible producer. Every animal is subject to federal regulations including proper drug usage. All market livestock will now be required to have a completed Animal Care & Management Disclosure Statement presented for each animal shown. Forms will be available at our office, and [extension.iastate.edu/monona/mononacountyfair](http://extension.iastate.edu/monona/mononacountyfair). Give Melissa a call if you have questions.
COUNTY FAIR NEWS

Traveling Trophies– Return by July 1

Please return traveling trophies to the Extension Office NO LATER THAN JULY 1.

We need these BEFORE THE FAIR STARTS. Thank you!

COUNTY FAIR NEWS

Clover Kids Eligibility for County Fair

Youth in grades K-2 that were enrolled in the 2015-2016 4-H year are eligible to participate in several activities at the Monona County Fair. No pre-entries are required. Clover Kids will receive participation ribbons or certificates, no judging takes place.

Clover Kids Stuffed Animal Show: Saturday, July 16 at 3:30 p.m. Bring a favorite stuffed animal to present to a caring adult and audience. Questions include the name of the animal, where they received it and anything special about it.

4-H Projects: Bring handmade items at 8:00 a.m., July 13 to show a caring adult. Youth can explain what they learned in making the project. Project classes are available in the fair book. Projects will be on display in the Clover Kids booth for the duration of the fair.

Livestock/Animals: Bring animals to the show, they do not stay for the duration of the fair. Members speak to a caring adult about each animal.

Open Class Bucket Calf—Arrive before the start of the show on Saturday, July 16 8:00 a.m. with your bucket calf.

Open Class Bottle Lambs—Arrive before the start of the show on Thursday, July 14 12:30 p.m. with your bottle lamb.

Dog Show—Sign up to attend dog classes during the month of June. Arrive before the start of the dog show on Wednesday, July 13 at 4:00 p.m. with your dog.

Open Class Pet Show— Arrive before the start of the pet show on Thursday, July 14 at 5:00 p.m. with your pet. Several classes available to show in.

REGIONAL NEWS

Clay County Fair September 10-18

Clay County Fair entries are due by July 15. For more information you can visit: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/clay/info/fairinformation.htm

STATE NEWS

State Fair Discount Tickets

Each State Fair performing exhibitor will receive one free admission ticket. If you will be participating in more than one event and need more tickets, you may obtain an order form from the Extension Office during fair. These are valid for exhibitors only. A form will be available for ordering discount tickets.

Iowa State Fair August 11-21 iowastatefair.org