



Shelby County 4-H Newsletter

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County Highlights

So many awesome things happening in Shelby County 4-H already and it is only February!

Share your pictures of club activities with us so we can highlight it on our social media!

Upcoming Dates to Remember

Mark your Calendars now with these upcoming events.

- February 1– Market Beef ID deadline, State Recognition applications due
- February 5– Butter Braids sales begin
- March 1– Iowa 4-H Scholarships due
- March 3– CloverKid Fun Day
- March 4– Butter Braids sales end
- March 8– YQCA Face-to-Face
- March 18– Butter Braids Delivery
- March 26– Pancake Supper
- March 29– Rabbit Workshop

Shelby County 4-H Pancake Supper

The annual Shelby County 4-H Pancake supper will take place on Tuesday, March 26 at the Rosman Parish Center. Pancakes will be served from 5-7:30 PM. There will also be a silent auction. Bring the whole family and catch some pancakes from the Pancake Man.



Clover Kid Fun Day

Clover Kids, join County 4-H Youth Council Sunday, March 3rd for Clover Kid Fun Day! County 4-H Youth Council will be hosting many fun activities at the Congregational Church (19th and Durant St.) from 1:30-3:30 PM.

Register by February 23 by scanning the QR code below or using this link: <https://form.jotform.com/240245522817049>



CLOVER KID FUN DAY!

Join the County 4-H Youth Council

SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 19TH & DURANT HARLAN

1:30-3:30PM

MUST REGISTER BY FEB. 23RD



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For the 2023-2024 4-H year, all livestock exhibitors must have their YQCA certification completed by May 15, 2024. Once you have completed the YQCA training, **please print a copy or email a screenshot or download and email the certificate to xshelby@iastate.edu**

Who needs to have YQCA?

If you intend to show livestock including beef, sheep, goats, swine, rabbits, and poultry at the county or state fair in 2024, you are required to take YQCA. Members in grades 4-12 are required to take YQCA **EACH** year. Clover Kids are NOT required to take YQCA.

YQCA may be taken online for \$12. Go to <https://yqcaprogram.org/>. Once the training is complete, please send a copy of your certificate to xshelby@iastate.edu.

There is also a face-to-face option. The cost for this option is \$3. The extension office will be offering a face-to-face class on Friday, March 8 6:00 PM-7:30 PM; Shelby County Extension Office.

To register, visit: <https://yqcaprogram.org/login/index.php>.

Livestock Interest Survey

Interested in livestock judging, quizbowl, or skillathon? Please take a moment to complete this interest survey to help us plan practices and clinics:



Rabbit Workshop

Join us March 29 for a rabbit workshop. The workshop will cover the basics of showing rabbits as well as provide techniques for rabbit showmanship. Get one of one support to answer all of your questions about your rabbit project. Participants are welcome to bring their rabbits with them but are not required. No materials are required.

Members of all ages are welcome!

When: March 29, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM

Where: Shelby County Extension Office

Registration: <https://form.jotform.com/240045204727044>



Scholarships

Attention seniors! College scholarship applications through the Iowa 4-H foundation are now open, through March 1, 2024. Apply today! Find out more information about the available 4-H scholarships here: <https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/what-we-do/funding-for-4-h-ers/scholarships>

Butter Braids Fundraiser

Butter Braids are back! All community 4-H Clubs are welcome to join the County 4-H Youth Council in their annual Butter Braids fundraiser. Clubs that are interested need to contact Jen. Paper order forms are available at the extension office. Proceeds from club sales will go to the clubs and proceeds from County Council sales will go to County Council to fund the events and activities they host. Clubs are not required to participate.

Sales begin Monday, February 5, 2024

Sales end Monday, March 4, 2024

Anticipated Delivery Monday, March 18

Camp of Discovery– Counselors Wanted

Shelby County is seeking camp counselors for Camp of Discovery 2024. Camp will be held at Camp Nebowa outside Onawa, Iowa June 4-6, 2024. Counselors will arrive on June 3 to prepare for campers' arrival.

Applicants must be age 16 by June 3, 2024. Applications via resume and cover letter are due to Shelby County Extension Office by Friday, March 15, 2024. Applicants selected to serve will be notified by Monday, April 1. There is no cost for counselors to attend camp.

Counselors are required to attend one camp orientation/training meeting on Tuesday, May 21 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. (face-to-face, Monona County Extension Office). Counselors will need to be available for Camp of Discovery starting Monday, June 3 until Thursday, June 6, 2024, at Camp Nebowa outside Onawa, Iowa.

Camp counselors will gain valuable leadership, communication, civic and team-building skills during their experience. Previous counselors often say being a camp counselor was one of their best experiences in 4-H.

Questions about this opportunity? Contact the Extension Office.

Looking for Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to serve as project leaders and as superintendents. It takes many great volunteers to provide various opportunities for our youth. If you know someone who may be willing to fill these positions, please let us know or have them reach out to Jen. At this time we are looking for volunteers for the following:

Superintendents for:

- Static Judging
- Market/Breeding Beef

