



# Shelby County 4-H News

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## Wanted: Camp Counselors

Shelby County is seeking camp counselors for Camp of Discovery 2023. Camp will be held at Camp Nebowa outside Onawa, Iowa June 6-8, 2023. Counselors will arrive on June 5 to prepare for campers' arrival.

Applicants must be age 16 by June 6, 2023. Applications are due to the Shelby County Extension Office by Friday, April 21, 2023.

Applicants selected to serve will be notified by Monday, May 1. There is no cost for counselors to attend camp.

Counselors are required to attend one camp orientation/training meeting on Wednesday, May 24 from 5:30-8 pm (face-to-face, Monona County Extension Office). Counselors will need to be available for Camp of Discovery starting Monday, June 5 until Thursday, June 8, 2023, at Camp Nebowa outside Onawa, Iowa.

Questions about this opportunity? Contact the Extension Office.



## Shelby County 4-H Quilt

Sewing project work continues on a county 4-H quilt! 4-H members are welcome to make quilt blocks using 4-H fabric. If you are interested, please contact Addison Obrecht (712) 579-1248 or Ronda Bissen (402) 651-3958 for details. The quilt will be auctioned off during the pie/muffin auction at the 2023 Shelby County Fair. Funds raised will be used to off-set direct expenses and support the county 4-H program.

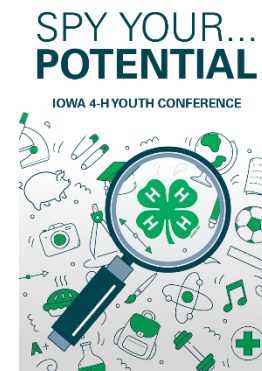
## Containers Needed

4-H Poultry Superintendent Pam Borkowski is collecting empty Cool Whip containers for waters and feeders at the Fair. If you have some of these clean containers, feel free to drop them off at the Extension office.

## 2023 Shelby County Fair Themes

The 2022-2023 State 4-H Council is pleased to announce “**Spy Your Potential**” as the 2023 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference Theme. This will also be the theme for 4-H at the Shelby County Fair.

The Shelby County Fair Board has announced the 2023 Shelby County Fair Theme is “**Best Days of Summer**”.



## Dog Workshops

It's time to work those dogs again! If you are enrolled in a dog project and wish to work your dog, you can. The series of workshops begins on Wednesday, May 3 at the Shelby County Fairgrounds and will run for about 9 weeks. Resource Project Leader, Linda Heflin, will lead the workshops. They will be fun and interesting for anyone from the beginner to advanced members.

There are some health requirements that you must follow in order to attend. So please be sure that your dog has current vaccinations for distemper, rabies, and parvovirus. You should also **be sure to have them on flea and tick preventives**. Female dogs that are in-season should not be brought to sessions during that time. Youth should attend even when the dog cannot. It is highly recommended that anyone planning on showing their dog at the Shelby Co. Fair 4-H Dog Show attend these workshops. Non-4-H youth and adults can also participate in the workshops. Things that you will need to bring to the workshops include:

- Your dog (clean and free of fleas and ticks, no in-season females)
- A six foot leather or nylon leash and choker chain or flat collar
- Current vaccination certificate for your dog from the vet
- Registration fee (\$10.00 each youth, \$30.00 adults)

We encourage everyone to be *weather aware* as these dog workouts begin. If the forecast causes weather concerns, we encourage you to stay home as the workout will likely be cancelled.

Don't forget, first session is on Wednesday, May 3 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Keep in mind that dog I.D. must be in Fair Entry by the May 15 deadline .

## Food for 2023 4-H Fairs

Along with the [Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide \(2023\)](#), ISU Extension and Outreach AnswerLine recently shared the blog post “[Safe Frosting for Iowa 4-H Fairs](#)”. Exhibitors are encouraged to use this information as a guide when selecting recipes for the fair. Plan ahead for a successful fair experience. Use these guidelines to help select an acceptable product for exhibit, find an approved recipe source, and identify the appropriate preparation method. Food safety should always be considered when preparing food any time. Our office has printed copies available.



**Livestock exhibitors (4-H and FFA) are required to participate in a YQCA Training in 2023. This training is for exhibitors of beef, goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep & swine at the county and state fair.**

- Interactive, web-based modules are available for all age divisions now. A \$12 training fee will be collected when registering. <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

**April 22, 12:30 pm @ Livestock Workshop, SHELBY County Fairgrounds, Harlan**  
**TRAINING DEADLINE FOR ALL LIVESTOCK**  
**EXHIBITORS IS MAY 15, 2023**

Once training is complete, please submit a PDF or screenshot of your completion certificate to the office.

## Entering Ear Tags in 4-HOnline

When entering ear tags in 4-HOnline be sure to list all the digits on the tag. Ear tags are available at the Extension office.



## Bottle/Bucket Calf Source

We've had some changes with these calves since last fair. There is no county calf pick update this year. If you need bottle/bucket calf source options, check out these auctions

[Red Oak/Omaha Livestock Market | Farm Equipment | Red Oak IA](https://redoaklivestock.com/)  
[\(redoaklivestock.com\)](https://redoaklivestock.com/)

[Denison Livestock Auction | Denison Iowa](#)  
[DUNLAP LIVESTOCK AUCTION, INC. - Cattle Auctions](#)

## 4-H Pancake Supper

THANK YOU for your help in making this year's 4-H Pancake Supper and silent auction a big success.

Each of you worked very hard to set up tables then keeping them cleared, syrup bottles filled and drink cups full. You all deserve a pat on the back for your fine work. The serving line ran smoothly and everyone did a wonderful job of making our guests feel welcome.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the pancakes and the silent auction. It takes a lot of hard work to make the Pancake Supper a success, but with your help we served 389 people!



## 4-H Livestock Workshop

# LIVESTOCK WORKSHOP

**Sat. April 22nd 9:00 - 3:00**

**Shelby County Fairgrounds, Harlan**

- .....> Guest speakers, including Sullivan Supply, will be leading workshops exploring grooming, fitting, and showmanship
- .....> Participants will select either a 2 hour session on beef with Sullivan's OR two from the following: poultry, rabbits, and swine
- .....> YQCA available - - additional cost. See details in registration link.
- .....> Registration will open March 10th  
\$20 per youth (parents welcome to attend, \$10 registration fee) - includes lunch and more than \$800 in door prizes sponsored by Sullivan Supply.



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The fees for service will be used to off-set direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development County Extension Program.

**For youth grades 4-12 Register by April 10 by using the QR code above or go to <https://form.jotform.com/230475093857060>**

## Senior 4-H Leadership Retreat

Do you want to learn how to start a movement, advocate for your ideas, and create an action plan? Make plans to join us April 29 in Red Oak or May 6 in Audubon for a FREE day-long leadership retreat.

The Southwest 4-H Field Team is looking for positive high school students who are energetic and want to become a stronger 4-H member. During the retreat, 4-H members will increase their knowledge of leadership styles and effective communication. Hands-on work will focus on starting a movement, advocating for your ideas, and creating action plans. Learn ways to become more involved in 4-H such as state and national opportunities. Most importantly, this is a great way to meet and interact with other 4-H youth in Southwest Iowa!

Apply online through 4hOnline beginning March 1, 2023. **Registration deadline is Saturday, April 15, 2023. Apply online through 4hOnline. Registration deadline is Saturday, April 15, 2023.**



**INSPIRES**

**LEADERSHIP**



## 4-H'ers for 4-H



Dear Iowa 4-H Clubs;

For almost 40 years, youth like us have raised dollars for the 4-H'ers for 4-H Campaign, one of the nation's longest running youth campaigns **FOR** 4-H'ers **BY** 4-H'ers! We know how much we've benefited from being in 4-H and **now is our opportunity to give back!**

As members of the State 4-H Council Youth Philanthropy Committee, we'd like to invite you to be a part of this year's campaign! We have a goal to **raise \$27,000** this year and invite you to **contribute \$4 per member**.

But what does the campaign support? We're glad you asked!

- **Financial aid** for enrollment fees
- **Scholarships** to attend state-wide events
- Support for **State 4-H Conference**
- Support for **State 4-H Council**

Basically, through this campaign, you can help make sure the 4-H Program is strong and that all kids can be a part of 4-H.

**Will you join us?** Commit to being a part of the campaign and make a difference for **YOUR** 4-H Program! Imagine what we can do together—we can make a difference!

**Making the Best Better, Together,**

Bobbie East Kent  
 Boothe Clayton County  
 Natalie Cherokee County  
 Brainer County  
 Currell County  
 Sydney Worth County  
 Addie Madison County  
 LaVerne Pocahontas County  
 Nehemiah Van Buren County  
 Hager Linn County  
 Holder Worth County

2022-23 State Council Youth Philanthropy Committee

*P.S. Don't forget! Participating counties will be eligible for a special mini-grant all thanks to Growmark!*

### 4-H'ers For 4-H Timeline:

- **January 15-June 15:** Using the [Club Donation Form](#), clubs should submit their contribution to their County Extension Office.
- **June 30 Deadline:** County Staff must complete the [County Summary Sheet!](#) and submit with payment(s) to the Iowa 4-H Foundation.
- **July 1:** Mini-grant application opens for eligible Counties (*more information coming soon*)
- **September 15:** Mini-Grant application deadline
- **November 1:** Mini-Grants awarded

## Help Wanted

Summer assistant job description and application are available on the Shelby County website. This people-oriented team player will assist Shelby County ISU Extension staff with 4-H program operation (camps, fair, and state fair), and assist with other office programs and tasks. **Part-time temporary from mid-May to late July. Apply today!**

## 2023 Shelby County 4-H Fair Date Highlights

July 9 – Dog show

July 10 – 4-H Clothing Event: Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection and \$20 Challenge;  
Bottle/Bucket Calf Interviews

July 11 – Static judging

July 12 – Animals arrive, cake decorating & table setting contest

July 13 – Cats, small pets & poultry judging, Fair Parade and Fair Queen Coronation

July 14 – Swine show, rabbit agility, working exhibits

July 15 – Sheep and goat show, rabbit show, horse and pony show, educational presentations

July 16 – Beef show, Share-the-Fun

July 17 – Livestock Auction

The detailed fair schedule will be released in the Shelby County 4-H & FFA Rule Book.

## Dates to Remember

### April

- 10 - 4-H Youth Committee
- 22 - Regional Livestock wkshp; 9-12 pm
- 15 - Sr. 4-H Leadership registration due
- 19 - Horse workout; 6-8 pm
- 29 - Sheep and goat weigh-in; 8-10 am

### May

- 1 - Office closed until 1 pm
- 2 - Broiler orders due
- 3 - Dog workshops begin
- 8 - 4-H Youth Committee
- 7 - Pre-fair event; 2 pm
- 15 - Animal Identification Day

### June

- 12 - 4-H Youth Committee
- 15 - Fair entries due
- 27-29 - Iowa 4-H Youth Conference

### July

- 9-17 - Shelby County Fair

