

# 4-H GROWS HERE

# 2020

**Audubon County 4-H Newsletter—January 2020**

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Jan 1** OFFICE CLOSED  
**Jan 3** Roller Skating @ Agri-Hall  
**Jan 11** Pie workshop  
**Jan 12** County potluck & 4-H awards  
**Jan 17** Roller Skating @ Agri-Hall  
**Jan 22** Annual Leader Training  
**Jan 31** Roller Skating @ Agri-Hall  
**Feb 1** 4-H Foundation Scholarship deadline  
Market beef verification deadline

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[WWW.EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/AUDUBON/4H](http://WWW.EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/AUDUBON/4H)

## AUDUBON COUNTY POTLUCK AND 4-H AWARDS

### JOIN US

Sunday, January 12, 2020 5-8 PM

at the Agri-Hall on the Audubon County Fairgrounds

Club Member Photos

4-H year completion recognition

Top Record Book awards

Leaders - years of service awards

New Member induction and welcome

Families encouraged to attend!

Please bring table service (plates, silverware) and a dish to share. 4-H/Clover Kid uniform preferred!

Clover Commissions will provide lemonade and water.

Please **RSVP** by January 9th by contacting the office.

## Pie Workshop



Calling all Bakers! With the help of several of our local award-winning pie bakers, you are invited to attend a workshop learning the steps in making two-crust fruit pies.

**Save the Date - Saturday, January 11. We will meet at the Audubon High School FCS room. Workshop will last from 9-11:30 am.** We plan to make multiple pies—some we will keep to serve as dessert for the potluck the next day—the others you'll get to take home to enjoy!

Contact the office by January 7th to save your spot!



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## Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

- **Livestock exhibitors will be required to participate in a YQCA Training in 2020.**
- Interactive, web-based modules are available **now** for all age divisions. A fee of \$12 **per member** will be collected for maintenance, development & support of the program and website when you login. These modules are age-specific.
- Face-to-face training remains an option. Face-to-face training will cost \$3 per member and is payable when registering online. Face-to-face trainings will be held in February, April, and June. Watch future newsletters for specific dates, times and locations.

To register for a training, follow this link: <https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login>

Use your 4hOnline credentials.

Please contact the office with any questions you have. This is a fairly new process for many of our exhibitors and families!

## TRAINING DEADLINE FOR ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS IS JUNE 15, 2020



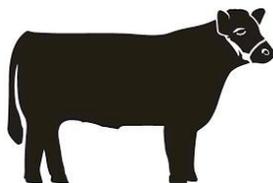
### SWINE RATE OF GAIN CONTEST

Mike Albertsen, our Swine Superintendent, is interested in adding a Rate of Gain contest to our Swine show. Participants would need to bring their animal to a county weigh-in (to be determined, likely late April or May) Only animals weighed in would be eligible for the Rate of Gain award. We are gauging interest in this additional opportunity-contact the office, Mike or your club leader if you would participate or if you have questions.

### Market Beef Weigh-In Verification

Families that weighed in market beef animals should now verify the information entered into 4hOnline matches your form from the event. **DO NOT CLICK VERIFY IF ANY INFORMATION IS INCORRECT.** Call the office to have it corrected!

The state deadline to verify animals is **FEBRUARY 1st.**



## WANT TO TRY SOMETHING NEW?

- **Citizenship Washington Focus**—Trip to D.C. June 19-27
- **Camp WILD**—June 4-6—grades 5-7
- **Animal Science Round Up**—applications due Spring 2020, event is held June 30-July 2—grades 8-12
- **4-H Youth Conference**—June 30-July 2—grades 8-12
- **Healthy Living Youth Ambassadors**- This opportunity provides you with skills to do something good where ever you are!
- **AgOvation**—do you have an idea for an invention that would solve an ag-related issue or problem?

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES, CONTACT ANN or visit the Iowa 4-H Website!**

## CampWILD Counselors Wanted

Youth interested in being counselors for Camp Wild in 2020 should submit their applications by **February 14**. Youth need to be 16 years old by June 4, 2020. Camp will be June 4-6 near Guthrie Center. Contact the office with questions or to ask for the application.

## Project Areas and Fair Exhibits

As you consider your project interests for this year, consider a new project area.

At our 2019 fair these categories had five or fewer entries:

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| + animal science                             | + automotive          |
| + child development                          | + civic engagement    |
| + clothing & fashion                         | + consumer management |
| + environment & sustainability               | + health              |
| + horticulture                               | + mechanics           |
| + music                                      | + outdoor adventures  |
| + science, engineering, electric, technology |                       |
| + small engine                               | + tractor             |
| + veterinary science                         | + welding             |

### Want to submit a fair entry in (any) category?

1. Chose a project area.
2. Set one or more goals.
3. Work towards your goal(s). Take pictures as you go.

**Exhibits** for fair show the learning!

**Have questions or need ideas? Contact your club leader or Ann or Abby!**



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### High School Senior/Undergrad Scholarship opportunities

Visit: <https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/index.cfm?nodeID=31466&audienceID=1> for a full list of scholarship opportunities.

Deadline to apply is 11:59 PM February 1st.



### LEADER TRAINING

**ANNUAL Leader Training** has been rescheduled for **January 22nd**. The training highlights skills preparing our members to be college & career ready. Meal will be offered 6-6:30; training will start at 6:30. Please contact the office to confirm meal and training or training only!

### STATE 4-H RECOGNITION DAY

Senior level (9th-12th grade) 4-H members are encouraged to apply for state-level awards and recognition. The process is simple and includes an online application that is open now. The deadline to apply for these opportunities is 11:59 PM on February 1st, 2020.

Opportunities include:

- **State 4-H Council representative**

Apply in 10th or 11th grade and serve the following June through July, process includes an in-person interview in April.

- **Iowa 4-H Reporter Program**

Interested in media or mass communications? This opportunity is for you!

- **State Project Awards**

Awarded to 4-Hers who have demonstrated mastery, leadership, communication and service in their project area. Maximum 50 awards given, \$100 cash prize.

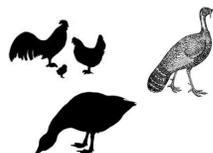
- **National 4-H Conference (March 2021)**
- **National 4-H Congress (November 2020)**
- **State Shooting Sports Ambassador**

For more details visit:

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/recognition-opportunities>

### Project Area Workshops

At this time, the following project area workshops are being planned for the upcoming year. We are open to hearing your suggestions for additional topics or projects areas as well.



**POULTRY**— learn how to select, care for and show your poultry project

**FAIR 101**—this one is for our newer members and families— learn about fair exhibiting/participation opportunities

**RECORD BOOK WORKSHOP**—Record Keeping is a life-long skill—come to this workshop to learn the whys and hows of keeping good records, setting goals, determining projects vs exhibits and more! This would be a great workshop for our new members, but if you haven't turned in a record book before, or want to make your record book better, you would benefit from attending as well!

**Other workshop suggestions are always welcome!**

Have you visited the [Iowa 4-H webpage](#) recently? There are all kinds of project ideas, out-of-county/state/national programs, and more!

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/>

### Roller Skating at the Agri-Hall

The Audubon County Fair Board is once again sponsoring roller skating this winter @ the Agri-Hall.

\$4 admission, beginners skate from 6-6:30 pm, all skate from 6:30-8:30 pm. Come for free-skate, skating games, concessions, music and FUN! Skates or roller blades available to borrow, or bring your own.

Dates:

January 3, 17 & 31

February 21



## JANUARY

- Jan 1** OFFICE CLOSED - NEW YEARS DAY  
**Jan 3** Roller Skating , 6-8:30 PM @ Agri-Hall  
**Jan 5** Exira Explorers club meeting, 4 PM @ Exira Public Library  
**Jan 11** Pie workshop, 9-11:30 am @ Audubon High School FCS room  
Boots & Clovers club meeting, 3 PM @ Cozad's home  
**Jan 12** All-County Family Potluck and 4-H Awards, 5 PM @ Agri-Hall  
**Jan 17** Roller Skating , 6-8:30 PM @ Agri-Hall  
**Jan 18** Bunkhouse Gang club meeting, 10 AM @ Extension Office  
**Jan 20** OFFICE CLOSED - MLK Jr DAY  
**Jan 22** Annual Leader Training, 6:30 @ Extension Office  
**Jan 26** Shooting Sports club meeting, 3 PM @ Conservation Club  
**Jan 31** Roller Skating , 6-8:30 PM @ Agri-Hall

## FEBRUARY

- Feb 1** STATE SCHOLARSHIP and AWARDS DEADLINE, 11:59 PM  
Market Beef 4hOnline Verification deadline  
**Feb 2** Exira Explorers club meeting, 4 PM @ Exira Public Library  
**Feb 8** Boots & Clovers club meeting, 3 PM @ Cozad's home  
**Feb 9** Leroy Leaders club meeting, 1:30 PM @ AMVC Management Office  
C.D. Starlighters club meeting, 2 PM @ Friendship Home  
Tip Top club meeting, 2 PM @ Exira Public Library  
**Feb 16** Lucky Lincolns club meeting, 3:30 PM @ Extension Office  
Bunkhouse Gang club meeting, 5 PM @ Extension Office  
**Feb 21** Roller Skating , 6-8:30 PM @ Agri-Hall  
**Feb 23** Shooting Sports club meeting, 3 PM @ Conservation Club

## MARCH

- Mar 1** Exira Explorers club meeting, 3:30 PM @ Bethany E-Free Church  
**Mar 8** Leroy Leaders club meeting, 1:30 PM @ AMVC Mgmt Office  
C.D. Starlighters club, 4 PM @ Extension Office  
**Mar 14** Boots & Clovers club meeting, 3 PM @ Cozad's home  
**Mar 15** Lucky Lincolns club meeting, 3:30 PM @ Extension Office  
Tip Top club meeting, TBD @ Extension Office  
**Mar 22** Shooting Sports club meeting, 3 PM @ Conservation Club

Bunkhouse Gang club meeting, TBD



## Build Your New Year's Resolution

with the 4-H Pledge



### I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,

- Learn a new skill
- Organize your schedule
- Take a challenging class
- Read one book a week

### my **HEART** to greater loyalty,

- Plan a weekly family game night
- Make family dinner a priority
- Set time aside to visit friends and family each month

### my **HANDS** to larger service,

- Hold a food drive
- Volunteer at a pet shelter
- Plan a social event at a nursing/assisted living home

### and my **HEALTH** to better living for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

- Exercise 5 days a week
- Drink 64 oz. of water a day
- Buy a new fresh fruit or vegetable to try each week

Photo by Ohio State - Hardin County 4-H via Facebook.



We are currently looking to fill a few volunteer positions as **fair superintendents.**

If you know someone or are interested yourself, please contact the office!

Superintendents help coordinate aspects of these contests. For specific responsibilities, contact our office.

AREAS OF NEED:

**SHEEP**

**STATIC EXHIBITS JUDGING**

**CLOTHING EVENTS CONTEST**

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