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THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to everyone who helped make the fair a fun, enjoyable and a wonderful experience for the youth. We heard positive feedback from several people in the community. Another big thank you goes to our superintendents, leaders, committee members, Extension Council, Youth County Council, Buchanan County Fair Board, FFA chapters and the clubs! This year’s fair would not have been possible if it weren’t for all of you—we make a good team!

Several volunteers put countless hours into the fair and everyone at the Extension office cannot express how thankful and grateful we are for all the time and effort that was given to see that the fair ran smoothly.

Thank you to those who baked pies and or decorated a bucket of flowers this year! You all did an outstanding job and we hope to see many return next year.

Another thank you to the Buffalo Bells and Middlefield Hustlers for again putting on a successful petting zoo. There were over 1,000 people that attended this wonderful event to see some neat animals like the tortoise, puppies, alligator and more!

Thanks again,
Alexia Hamlett
Buchanan County | County Youth Coordinator
EXTENSION CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Calendar includes all Buchanan County Events. In **bold** are 4-H events.

August 1—Farmers Market, Independence, 8:00 am-12:00 pm
August 3—Livestock Post Fair Meeting, Heartland Acres Theater and Great Spaces, 6:00 pm
August 8—Farmers Market, Independence, 8:00 am-12:00 pm
August 10—Extension Council Meeting, Heartland Acres, 6:00 pm
  *Farmland Leasing, Heartland Acres, 1:30 pm
August 11—State Fair take down exhibits, ISF Des Moines, 10:30 am

**August 13-23—Iowa State Fair, Des Moines**
August 13—Fair Board Meeting, 4-H Building, 7:00 pm
August 15—Farmers Market, Independence, 8:00 am-12:00 pm
August 17—RESHOW - Commercial Ag Weed, Insect & Plant Disease CIC, Extension office, 9:00 am-11:45 am
  *RESHOW - Seed Treatment, Extension office, 1:30 pm-4:00 pm
August 19—RESHOW - Ornamental & Turf Applicators, Extension office, 9:00 am-11:30 am
  *RESHOW - Certified Handlers, Extension office, 1:30 pm-4:00 pm
August 22—Farmers Market, Independence, 8:00 am-12:00 pm

**August 23—4-H Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, ISF Des Moines 4-H Building, 1:30 pm**
August 27—Summer Webinar Series, Heartland Acres, 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
August 29—Farmers Market, Independence, 8:00 am-12:00 pm
September 7—OFFICE CLOSED—LABOR DAY
September 10—Summer Webinar Series, Heartland Acres, 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
September 14—Extension Council Meeting, Heartland Acres, 6:00 pm
September 15—5th Grade Environmental Field Day, Fontana Park

*Record Book Deadline, Extension Office, 4:30 pm
  *Master Gardener Training, Heartland Acres, 6:30 pm-9:30 pm

September 16—Independence Library Program, Independence Library, 3:30 pm
  *RESHOW - Ornamental & Turf Applicators, Extension office, 9:00 am-11:30 am
  *RESHOW - Certified Handlers, Extension office, 1:30 pm-4:00 pm

September 19-20—4-H Intermediate Camp, Omaha Zoo
September 21—RESHOW-Commercial Ag Weed, Insect & Plant Disease CIC, Extension office, 9:00 am-11:45 am
  *RESHOW - Seed Treatment, Extension office, 1:30 pm-4:00 pm
September 27—Youth County Council Meeting, Heartland Acres Theater, 3:30 pm-4:30 pm
  *Farm to Fork Harvest Celebration Tour, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm
September 29—Amish Safety Day, Fontana Park
  *Master Gardener Training, Heartland Acres, 6:30 pm-9:30 pm

October 4-10—National 4-H Week

**November 7—4-H Banquet, St Patrick's Parish Hall Winthrop, 6:30 pm meal and 7:00 pm program**
November 15—FFA Enrollment Forms Due to Extension office (may be postmarked)

**November 21—Tentative Beef Weigh-In, Winthrop, 8:00 am-10:00 am and retinal scans begin at 10:00 am**

Thank Our Supporters

Any 4-H or FFA members, pie bakers, bucket of flowers and whoever received a trophy or plaque; please remember to thank those supporters by sending a letter to that person or business. These supporters are a special part of the fair and it is very important that we recognize their contributions so that they will continue to support the 4-H and FFA programs in the future. Let the office know if you need the contact information.
**Contest Results**

**Decorating Contest Winners**

- **Hay Bales:**
  - Champion—Atom Bombers
  - Reserve Champion—Boots-N-Bales

- **Booth:**
  - Champion—Wapsi Warriors
  - Reserve Champion—Atom Bombers

**Big Cookie:**

- Champion—Lillian Giddings
- Reserve Champion—Maranda Rathe

**Poultry Cage:**

- Champion—Collin Wilson
- Reserve Champion—Molly Rothman

Hay bale and booth decorating champions receive $25 and reserve champions receive $15 at the 4-H Banquet this fall on November 7. Big Cookie received a gift card to Dairy Queen. Poultry champion received a waterer and feeder.

**Photo Contest Winners**

Come on out to the Extension office to see the amazing photos that the 4-H members took pictures of. We had 72 photos enter the contest, great job to everyone who submitted one! Hope to see more next year. Congratulations to our 2015 winners! This year our top 12 winners are:

- 12—Brezlyn Grote (dog)
- 11—Jodie Mausser (nature)
- 10—Megan Corkery (dog)
- 9—Megan Corkery (sparks)
- 8—Megan Bussan (horse)
- 7—Jodie Mausser (horse)
- 6—Jakalyn Frasher (bubble)
- 5—Megan Corkery (signs)
- 4—Megan Corkery (horse)
- 3—Megan Corkery (flower)
- 2—Lauren Beyer (gravel road)
- 1—Megan Corkery (cow)

**Herdsmanship**

Thank you everyone this year to make sure the barns were presentable to the public. First place winners will receive $25 and first pick in the barn for next year and second place winners will get $15 and second pick in the barn for 2016.

- **Swine**
  - 1st—Wapsi Warriors
  - 2nd—Starmont FFA

- **Rabbit**
  - 1st—Heartland Kids
  - 2nd—Boots-N-Bales

- **Sheep**
  - 1st—Perry Pioneers
  - 2nd—Heartland Kids Club

**Dairy Cattle**

- 1st—Wapsie Valley FFA
- 2nd—Madison Mixers

**Meat Goat**

- 1st—Wapsie Valley FFA
- 2nd—Heartland Kids Club

**Building Showmaship Winners**

- **Ag & Natural Resources**—Makenzie Homan
- **Creative Arts**—Emily Martins
- **Food & Nutrition**—Miranda Franzen
- **Personal Development**—Zach Lamphere
- **Photography**—Annika Wall
- **Science, Engineering & Technology**—Mark Thompson
- **Bucket of Flowers**—Avery Hanaway
- **Family & Consumer Sciences**—Nate Copenhaver
- **Home Improvement**—Amanda Crow
- **Photography**—Courtney Kelly

Congratulations to our Building Showmaship Winners!!!
State Fair and Alternates

Building Exhibits Advancing to State Fair

**Ag & Natural Resources:**
- Lydia Martins
- Nick Homan

**Visual Arts:**
- Abigail Morgan
- Emily Martins
- Annika Wall

**Home Improvement:**
- Sierra Siems
- Avery Hanaway
- Amanda Crow

**Food & Nutrition:**
- Alyssa Riniker
- Jenny Adams
- Ethan Kayser
- Alyssa Riniker

**Personal Development:**
- Mark Thompson
- Brezlyn Grote
- Tabitha Smith
- Kaylee Hosch

**Clothing:**
- Janelle Engelbrecht
- Madison Arend
- Annika Wall

**Photography:**
- Jodie Mausser (2)
- Annika Wall (2)
- Amanda Crow
- Molly Rothman
- Miranda Franzen
- Marissa Robinson
- Emily Robinson

Exhibits will be taken down to the State Fair on August 11. Make sure that you bring your projects to the Extension office. Those that have food items please bring them on August 10th by 4:30 pm. Members with large projects should have received a letter in the mail with passes. Everyone else should have their projects dropped off August 7, 4:30 pm.

State Fair Alternate Exhibits

**Ag & Natural Resources:**
- Hunter Crawford
- Makenzie Homan

**Food & Nutrition:**
- Madison Arend
- Brezlyn Grote

**Clothing:**
- Annika Wall
- Samantha Yexley

**Visual Arts:**
- Sierra Siems
- Anna Collison

**Personal Development:**
- Jordan Lentz
- Lillian Giddings

**Home Improvement:**
- Molly Rothman
- Shelby Hermsen

**Photography:**
- Madison Stanford
- Tabitha Smith

**SET:**
- Logan Duffy
- Lydia Martins
**County Fair Results**

**Jr Purple**

Annie Johnson—Food & Nutrition  Chase Fults—Personal Development
Jaxson Frye—Personal Development  Lauren Beyer—Photography
Sam Cook—Photography  Wesley Slife—Photography
Cady Sutcliffe—Photography

**Home Garden**

**Grand Champion Flower Garden**
Kaylee Kleitsch  Brezlyn Grote

**Grand Champion Vegetable Garden**
Adam Deaner  Hunter Crawford

**Master Showmanship**

**Senior Division Winner**—Keegan Kehrli

**Intermediate Division Winner**—Alexa Riniker

**Junior Division Winner**—Keeley Kehrli

**Pie Contest Winners**

**Junior Champion**
Shelby Lehman and Mandy Rawson

**Senior Champion**
Keegan Kehrli and Greg Witte

**Reserve Junior Champion**
Wapsi Warrior Club

**Reserve Senior Champion**
Suzanne and Elsie Flexsenhar

**Livestock Judging Contest Results**

**Top Senior Division Team**—Benton County 4-H  **Top Junior Division Team**—Benton County 4-H Green

**Top Senior Division Individuals**—Mitchell Hanson, Jackson Willey, John McQuilken, Luke Lawless, Drew Wiley, Jared Kelly, Ray Kuhrt, Nick McQuilken, Leah Rosauer, Breanna Hakeman

**Top Junior Division Individuals**—Olivia Sash, Brock Radeke, Josh Wiley, Isaac Wiley, Bryce Radeke, Brock Ortner, Gabe Hanson, Brady Ortner, Will Schmidt, Landen Siek

**Bill Riley Talent Show**

Thank you to everyone who participated or helped put on the Bill Riley talent show. Especially a big thanks to Amy Copenhaver, Amanda Crow and Britta Fults for lining everything up. It was such a wonderful event and a big crowd pleaser. The first place junior division award went to Erin McRae of Cedar Falls who performed a musical theater piece. Second place went to Emma Reiter of Waterloo who sang a song. In the senior division, Matt Zittritsch of Humboldt did a tap dance routine and there was a tie for second, Alexis Ruroden of West Union doing an acrobatic routine and Mariah Seeley of Manchester did a theatrical vocal performance.
County Fair

Fair Set-Up and Clean Up Day

Thank you to all the Youth County Council members and 4-H clubs for helping with fair clean up before & after fair and set-up. Without all of your help it could not have been made possible. The fair board had members, leaders, volunteers and staff clean the barns, pull out staples, sweep, put up gates/fences and more. Everyone did a great job to see it get accomplished.

4-H Hall of Fame

The 2015 4-H Hall of Fame Buchanan County inductees are Ken and Kathy Kehrli. The induction ceremony is on Sunday, August 23rd beginning at 1:30 pm on the Iowa State Fairgrounds 4-H Building. Please congratulate these two on this wonderful achievement!

Ken and Kathy Kehrli have enjoyed being involved with 4-Hers for over 20 years. Through these years many lifelong friendships have been made, and they are thankful for the opportunity to witness so many quality young people benefit from their 4-H experiences as they begin their own families and careers, in or out of agriculture. Ken and Kathy are strong supporters of 4-H and have worn many hats including leader, mentor, committee member, tour guide and volunteer. Five of their own children have been 4-Hers, becoming the 4th generation of Kehrli’s to benefit greatly from the lessons 4-H projects teach and the life skills acquired through the process.

Record Book Reminder—September 15

It is that time of year again to prepare your record books. Deadline is September 15 to the Extension office by 4:30 pm. The record book order and process can be found by going to http://www.extension.iastate.edu/buchanan/news/record-book-info. There is information broken down for members. All members should look at the record book format, awards information form application and record keeping awards and definition of terms. Remember that if you want to apply for an award you must fill out the Awards Information form. That is the first step in earning the award. The second step is that your record book organization and appearance must have received a gold achievement record book award to be considered for a project area award. The final step is if the member filled out the award information form, received a gold achievement award for record book organization & appearance, and earning enough points for a gold project award at the designated age level, then they will receive that project area award.

Don’t forget to do your historian books this year and check the box on the Award Information Form. In order to be considered, that must be checked on that form. To see what you will be evaluated on please look on the website from above and look under “All Members”.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call the Extension office for assistance.
Deadlines and Opportunities

Independence Farmers Market

Buchanan County Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is represented at the Independence Farmers Market every week from now until October 17. We are asking for 4-H clubs to volunteer to help man our booth and promote 4-H! Clubs are asked to sit at the ISU Extension and Outreach booth from 8 am-11 am or 9 am-noon. If you would, call our office to sign up for August 8, 15, 22 or September 5, 19 and 26. Some clubs in the past have done a working exhibit or displayed projects that they have done throughout the year to show the community and to recruit members. The Extension staff would greatly appreciate clubs to help. This is a great opportunity! Call or email us at 319-334-7161 or ahamlett@iastate.edu.

Youth County Council Applications

The Youth County Council team is looking for new members to join for 2015-2016. For an application go to our website to fill one out. Members need to be in grades 9th-12th. What this group does is meet once a month and plan activities for the county 4-H members and work on different skills such as leadership, citizenship and communication. Contact the office for more information/questions! Also current YCC members will need to fill out a new application if reapplying for the 2015-2016 year. Hope to see some new faces join the group! Deadline Extension is August 10th to mail or drop off form.

Livestock Auction Thank-You Reminder

Everyone who participated in the livestock auction should have received their checks. If you have not please contact the Extension office so that we can get you the buyer contact information. Don’t forget to send thank you letters to the buyers as well.

August Birthdays!!!

Lindsay Beyer        Joshua Cook        Jamie Fuller        Gabriella Good        Carson Hanaway
Annie Johnson        Luke Lawless       Shelby Lehman      Emily Martins       Brooklyn Pint
Joe Priebe           Sydney Rahe         Alyssa Riniker     Emily Robinson      Spenser Rothman
Katelynn Sizemore    Ella Stiefel        Ender Stiefel      Eric Tempus         Mark Thompson
Emily Treptow        Alexis Vander Werff  Noah Walthart      Heath Weber         Danielle Youngblut
Kyle Zimmerman

Broiler Project Reminder

For those of you who participated in the broiler project this year, you must contact your sponsors. We hope that you have been keeping in contact with your sponsors throughout the summer to keep them updated on the broilers. It is your responsibility to deliver your processed birds to the sponsors. For those that had 25 birds must deliver 3 and those who raised 50 must deliver 6 of their best birds. If your birds did not make it by fair time or after fair, still contact your sponsors and work something out with them. If you do not have their contact information, contact the Extension office.

Buchanan County Extension  4-H Facebook Page—https://www.facebook.com/BuchananCountyISUExtension
Buchanan County ISU Extension and Outreach webpage—www.extension.iastate.edu/buchanan
Iowa State Fair 2015

Iowa State Fair—Nothing Compares

Still need to plan that last minute family trip for the summer? Why not go to the Iowa State Fair during August 13-23. There are several things for the family to do and see whether it be watching the livestock shows, communication exhibits in the 4-H building, going to see the butter cow, concerts, Bill Riley talent show, eating something on a stick and more! If you feel overwhelmed by how many things there are to do, you don’t have to be anymore. You can plan your itinerary by just a click of a button. To do so go to this link here http://www.iowastatefair.org/daily-events/plan-your-itinerary/ and read the directions on the page. This is for anyone! All you have to do is enter the dates that you will attending and scroll down to select the events you and your family would like to do and then print the itinerary off.

Some attractions to see are:

Agriculture: http://www.iowastatefair.org/fair-attractions/agriculture/
- John Deere Agriculture Building 9:00 am-9:00 pm—home of Iowa’s finest displays of agricultural commodities and jumbo veggies!
- Little Hands on the Farm—9:00 am-8:00 pm, north of the Animal Learning Center—for ages 2-10 who can help with “chores” and earn play money to spend at the market.

Midway: http://www.iowastatefair.org/fair-attractions/midway/
- Kiddieland—filled with 20 attractions see the downloadable document found at the website.

Contests: (more than 45 competitions testing talent, creativity and zaniness)
- Bags tournament, marvelous hat contest, micro-mini tractor pull, beard growing contest and more!

Butter Cow: http://www.iowastatefair.org/fair-attractions/butter-cow/
- Theme “A Celebration of the 80th Anniversary of Monopoly”.

Food: http://www.iowastatefair.org/fair-attractions/food/
- A fair food finder app is available on this webpage to help you locate your favorite foods or to try something new! Be sure to check out apple pie on-a-stick, corn in a cup, cattleman’s steak fajita wrap, deep fried nacho balls, toasted coconut caramel cluster and the ultimate bacon brisket bomb!

Livestock: http://www.iowastatefair.org/fair-attractions/livestock/
- Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center—features live births
- I Milked a Cow! - put on by the Iowa State University Dairy Science Club
- Pig Place—a place to get your swine questions answered through a interactive hands-on display

Art: http://www.iowastatefair.org/fair-attractions/art/
- Cultural Center, 9:00 am-9:00 pm
- 4-H Exhibits Building, 9:00 am-9:00 pm, come see the 4,000 exhibits from the 4-H’ers around the state

AND THERE IS MORE! Just go to www.iowastatefair.org to check it out!
Enrollment Process

- The new 4-H year will begin **after the 1st of September**, so please do not start enrolling or re-enrolling until that time.

- All **Clover Kid and 4-H members** will be using 4hOnline to enroll or re-enroll for the 2015-2016 4-H year.
  - 4hOnline web address https://ia.4honline.com (bookmark this page)
  - If you can’t remember your password, you can reset the password yourself by selecting “I forgot my password” and it will then send you the new password to your email account.
  - If you have logged in before select “I have a Profile”. Enter family email and password.
  - Click “edit” next to the name (under Member/Volunteer list).
  - Click “Enroll for 2015-2016” to the 4-H member you are re-enrolling (bottom of page).
  - Verify or edit personal information. Don’t forget to add your email and cell number.
  - Update Emergency Contact (someone other than yourself, if you can’t be reached).
  - Update additional information and health form.
  - Add the projects that you are interested in and number of years you’ve participated.
  - When finished, select “Submit Enrollment”.
  - Follow the same steps if you have more than one child.
  - Help sheets can be found at http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4honline-information-families-and-leaders
  - Enrollment discount deadline of $20 is December 31st. After that date fees are $30 per kid. Remember if your child is participating in the beef weigh-in, get them enrolled before that date so that their information for their beef cattle can be input the system right away.

- **New Clover Kid and 4-H Families**
  - New families this year **will not** be using the paper enrollment forms. They will be going on 4hOnline themselves to create their profile and memberships. If they have any problems at all have them contact the Extension office to help guide them through the process.
  - A help guide to 4-H is available on the Extension website by going to www.extension.iastate.edu/buchanan/page/join-4-h.

- The Extension office will again offer to pay for a pizza party to the club that increases their enrollment with the highest percentage by May 15!

- We hope to see the number rise this year in enrollments. Now is a great time to start recruiting new members! If you need any recruitment materials contact the Extension office to hand out at the schools and wherever you think would be a great place to recruit members.

- All **FFA members** will be using an enrollment form found on the Extension website at http://www.extension.iastate.edu/buchanan/4h —> on the right hand side of the page. Those must be completed, turned in or postmarked by **November 15**.
2015 County Fair Jr Fun Day

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