Important Dates to Remember

Dec 2  County Council meeting at Library
Dec 4  Woodworking Workshop at both 8am-11am and 1pm-4pm.
Dec 6  Maker Days at the Library
Dec 11 Beef Weigh In 9-11am at Lynch Livestock
Dec 28 Maker Days at the Library
Jan 9  Livestock Judging Practice 2-4pm at Carroll FFA Building
Jan 17 Fruit & Butter Braid Sales Begin
Jan 22 Welding Workshop from 8am-noon at DMACC in Carroll
Feb 1  Market Beef due in 4H Online
Feb 6  Livestock Judging Practice 2-4pm at Glidden FFA Building/Classroom

Save the Date!

Market Beef due in 4H Online by February 1st
All other animals are due in 4H Online by May 15
(Rabbits are July 1)
Beef Weigh In: Sat, Dec 11, 9-11am @ Lynch Livestock
Swine Weigh In: Sat, Mar 26, 9-11am @ Carroll FFA Bldg
Sheep/Goat Weigh In: Sat, May 7, 9-11am @ Fairgrounds
Rabbit Tattooing: Sat, June 18, 8-9am @ Graham Park

New Member Incentive

Invite your friends to join 4-H and win a prize for your club! Prizes will be $100 for the largest percentage increase in club enrollment and $100 for the largest increase in club enrollment. New members will need to complete paper enrollment packets and sign up by March 1, 2022.

Newsletter Change!

Beginning in January 2022, Newsletters will now be encouraged to be viewed digitally. The Extension Office has received feedback that many 4-H families do not take the time to read their physical Newsletter. Leaders, Superintendents, and FFA instructors will all still receive a physical copy (unless otherwise specified). All 4-H families will be emailed a copy of the digital newsletter at the beginning of every month. Please email Kelsey or call the Extension Office if you would still like to be mailed the physical newsletter each month. As a reminder, you can also view past and current newsletters at any time on our website.
Maker Days

Carroll County Iowa State Extension and Outreach and the Carroll Public Library bring you Gingerbread Time! Join us for Maker Day at the Library on Monday, December 6 anytime between 10:00am and 7:00pm. Explore the engineering design process while building a gingerbread house, explore and design with gingerbread playdough and more! Maker Days will also occur on December 28 with a Snowspectacular theme—learn about blizzards, Meteorologists tools, and create your own emergency kit!

2022 Fruit and Butter Braid Sales

Order forms will be sent to 4-H members in early January to begin selling January 17. Order forms will need to be returned to leaders by February 14, and order forms must be turned into the office from leaders by February 17. This year we will offer online sales! More information to come regarding the online sales process. Delivery Day will be Saturday March 5, 2022. Specific pick up times will be relayed to each club leader. Remember, 35% of the profits go directly to your club! The five highest sales people will receive a $100 check! Good Luck!

Livestock Judging & Shooting Sports

Please refer to the hand outs included in November’s newsletter for more information on the Livestock Judging Club and the SESS (Safety and Education in Shooting Sports) and to sign up to be included on the email list. Our Livestock Judging Club will begin their practices January 9th from 2-4pm at the Carroll area FFA Building. Our Shooting Sports club will begin in August 2022 with a workshop or practice in the spring of 2022.

State’s 4-H Exchange Now Open!

Iowa 4-H is excited to partner with States’ 4-H Exchange to offer international exchange opportunities for our 4-H members, ages 12-18. Applications are being accepted from current 4-H youth who would like to travel abroad and for those interested in being a host family for Japanese youth for summer 2022. The deadline to apply is January 15th. Please contact the Extension Office for more information.

National 4-H Agri-Science Youth Summit

Youth in grades 9-12 can apply to be a part of the State 4-H team for the National 4-H Agri-Science Youth Summit. The Summit will be in Washington D.C. from March 10-13 and selected youth will receive reduced registration and travel fee. The application deadline is January 4th. Any youth are welcome to form a team with an adult chaperone and register for the conference with travel and other expenses to be paid by the team, if not a part of the state-led team. Learn more by calling the Extension Office or visiting the website: extension.iastate.edu/4h/national-youth-summits

Community of Concern

Your local food pantry is here to help residents of Carroll County, regardless of income, job status, family status, or age. Open Monday-Friday 8am-11:30am located at 322 W 3rd St in Carroll.
Beef Weigh In

Market beef weigh-ins will be Saturday, December 11th at Lynch Livestock near Carroll from 9am-11am. All Market Beef must be weighed in at the Carroll County Weigh-In to be eligible to show at the 2022 Carroll County Fair. Please bring $1.25 for each ear tag needed. Breed Steers need to have a legible tattoo in their ear(s). The breed, tattoo, and sire name or registration number must be recorded on the verification form. This information should be brought with you to weigh-in. Please listen to KCIM/KKRL for any changes or postponements due to weather.

County Council Updates

Minutes provided by Vice President Molly Freese

Our County Council had its monthly meeting this past November 11th. The meeting consisted of participating in a workshop, Colors 2.0, and electing new officers for the year 2022. The county council had a fun time bonding and learning about each other’s personalities during the workshop. After completing the workshop, we elected new officers for the upcoming year. Our new officers are:

President: Hannah Meshek from Richland Hotshots
Vice President: Molly Freese from Carroll Champs
Secretary: Brooke Booth from Manning Win or Grin
Treasurer: Kendra Schuette from Carroll Champs
Marketing: Hollie Blum from Manning Win or Grin
Media: Lauren Greving from Manning Win or Grin

In other news, the county council has an outstanding number of 13 total members and we were all in attendance at our meeting! Other members include: Owen Ferneding, Bryton Treadway, Miles Bogue, Jacob Meshek, Pacey Bogue, Claire Behrens and Mara Woolsey. We also recently voted to allow 8th grade participants! You can still sign up until January 1st if you’d like to join County Council!

Iowa Legislative Insider

Iowa 4-H and the Iowa Extension Council Association are excited to host the Iowa Legislator Insider Event in Des Moines on February 9th! This event is open to 4-H members in 8th-12th grade. Call the office for more information!