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The June Newsletter is packed full of deadlines and event information! Please read it to the end, you don't want to miss any important dates and deadlines!

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Iowa State University Extension programs are available to all without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability.
Congratulations Graduates
Cass County Extension and Cass County Endowment would like to congratulate all 2015 graduating seniors on your accomplishments. The skills each of you have learned and experience you have gained will take you far in life. Good luck in the upcoming years on your new endeavors.

The Cass County Endowment had a challenge selecting the recipients of the 2015 Graduating Senior 4-H Scholarship. Congratulations to Steph Freud, Reid Nichols, Kourtnie Stephenson, and Tyler Steele for being selected as the 2015 scholarship recipients. These four individuals showed their involvement in the Cass County 4-H Program, community service, communication and leadership skills through their 4-H experience. These individuals were recognized at their Senior Awards Night in May and will be recognized at the 2015 4-H County Convention.

Reid Nichols and Tyler Steele also received a scholarship from the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben for their participation & dedication to the 4-H Ak-Sar-Ben Stock Show. These individuals have participated in the show for many years and were rewarded for their accomplishments.

Congratulations again to all graduating seniors!

Poultry Exhibitor Information
Due to Avian Influenza, all poultry shows in the state of Iowa, including all county fairs and the Iowa State Fair have been cancelled for this summer. If you have questions about the avian influenza, please visit: www.iowaagriculture.gov.

We are working on ways to provide exhibitors an alternative activity at the county fair, please watch your emails and upcoming newsletter for alternate opportunities for poultry exhibitors.

County Fair Feeder Calf Deadline
If you are planning to exhibit a feeder calf at the 2015 Cass County Fair, please have it 4-H/ FFA tagged and ID paperwork turned into the Extension Office by June 15th. Families can stop by the Extension Office and pick-up 4-H tags and ID paperwork between now and June 15th. Tags are a $1 per tag. The feeder calves are ID’ed on the bottom of the breeding beef form in the Cow/Calf section. If you have any questions about the feeder calf deadline, please contact the Extension Office.

Check out the 2015 Fairbook!
The 2015 Cass County fairbook is now online at www.extension.iastate.edu/cass/ in the quick links section. Families will receive their fairbook from their club leaders at this month’s 4-H meeting.

County Fair Activities
The Cass County Fair will be here soon! At your June 4-H club meeting, you will have an opportunity to sign up for Judge’s Helpers, Building Host & Hostess, Herdsmanship, and other county fair events. Please plan to volunteer or sign-up for one or a few of these activities. Cubs must have all spots filled!
County Fair Participation

It may be hard to believe, but county fair will be here before we know it! If you are planning to participate in the Cass County Fair this year, please be aware of the eligibility requirements that were put together by the Youth Action Committee. This is a direct statement from the Cass County 4-H Policy Statement.

-During each program year, a member must attend a minimum of six regular club meetings of their own club which will include the business meeting, before July 15, to be eligible to show at county fair. Club officers and the organizational leader should determine a member's fair eligibility. There will be no excused absences.

-New 4-H members joining in March or later must attend a minimum of three club meetings and give an education presentation.

-New 4-H members joining in May must attend a minimum of two club meetings and give an educational presentation.

-A member will become ineligible to exhibit at the county level at the end of the calendar year in which they graduate from high school.

-All 4-H members are to receive premium checks which they have earned. Fairboard may withhold premium money upon rule violation. If members wish, they may leave the money in the club treasury.

We may be sending out project specific information in the months leading up to county fair. Please log into your profile on 4-H Online to update your project list to be sure to receive all information for the projects you are interested in.

Fair Exhibit Copyright Information

As we prepare for county fair, and finalize our static exhibits, please be aware of copyright related to your exhibits. What is copyright? A copyright and/or a trademark are legal methods used by artists, photographers, writers, and others to protect their original and creative works. Protected items may range from professional photography and books to music, sport logo insignias, corporate and brand name logos to art designs. It is important to remember the idea itself cannot receive a copyright. The expression of an idea is what is copyrighted. It is the responsibility of individual 4-H'ers to be aware of copyright/trademark regulations when developing 4-H exhibits and communication activities for county and state fairs. 4-H’ers are encouraged to create their own original work and illustrations so they can avoid using copyrighted and/or trademarked material. If you are using the source (photograph, painting,) to create a similar design, you must ask permission before you try to duplicate the original and you would not call it an original design. If you have questions about if your exhibit fits the copyright rules, please contact the Extension Office.
Cass County Fair Food Drive
Keep an eye out for the Cass County Fair Food Drive at the local grocery stores! This is a great way to donate to the food stand before the Cass County Fair begins! Local Cass County Fair supporters have the opportunity to donate items to the food stand to make delicious items we all enjoy during the fair!

Like Us on Facebook
Stay connected with upcoming events and activities by liking the Cass County Extension and Cass County Fair on Facebook! Search for Cass County Iowa State University Extension and The Cass County Fair (IA) to stay connected.

County Fair Forms
Looking for a specific county fair form or event registration information? Check out the Cass County Extension website for the fair. Visit www.extension.iastate.edu/cass/ and click on the County Fair Information link on the home page. You can find livestock disclosure statements, Best of Iowa, Decorator’s Showcase, Communication Event registrations and much more on this page!

State Fair Exhibitor Information
The 2015 Iowa State Fair exhibitor information in now available online at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/livestock. If you are planning to exhibit 4-H livestock at the 2015 Iowa State Fair, please visit the website for information related to your project(s). All State Fair livestock exhibitors must be FSQA certified and have ID’ed their animals in 4-H Online by May 15. After June 1, families are able to make their State Fair livestock entries. All State Fair livestock entries are due by July 1. Please contact the Extension Office if you have questions about entering your livestock for the Iowa State Fair.

Jump into the Jungle Day Camp
Rainforest, plants, animals and more! Mark your calendars June 22 & 23 for Jump into the Jungle STEM daycamp. Cass County 3-5 grade youth will have the opportunity to learn about the jungle at the Cass County Community Center on day 1 of the camp and day 2 the group will travel to the Omaha’s Henry Doorley Zoo to get in in-depth look of the rainforest. Cost for this camp is $25 which includes lunch & snack both days, travel to the zoo and zoo admission. Contact the extension office for more information & to register! Come along with us as we Jump into the Jungle on June 22 & 23!

6-8 Grade Outdoor Adventure Camp
Cass County Extension has teamed up with the Cass County Conservation Board again this summer to offer fun and educational summer daycamps designed to give youth a chance to have fun while exploring and learning about nature. This year, youth who have completed grades 6-8 can attend Outdoor Adventure camp! This camp will be held at Cold Springs Park in Lewis on June 30, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. The daylong camp will involve Iowa wildlife, fishing, archery, hiking and dutch oven cooking over a campfire! Youth will also learn through teambuilding games, hands-on activities and guided discussion.

Cost to attend the camp is $10/youth. Registration & medical forms are available at the Cass County Extension Office, or can be printed from our website. The camp is open to all local youth who have completed grades 6-8, so bring a friend (or two) to join the fun. Pre-registrations for this camp are due to the Extension office, so sign up now to reserve your space!