Notes from Jennifer

- Can you believe the fair has already come and gone? I sure can’t! I want to take a moment to say THANK YOU to each parent, all 4-H members, 4-H leaders, FFA Alumni, the fairboard, all the volunteers and anyone else who helped make the 2013 Clarke County Fair a success.

- I also want to send a huge thank you to the following 4-Hers who helped with the pre fair clean up day back on July 13th. These helpers included: Colby and Carter Wilken, TJ and Kobe Woods, Dakota Matlage, Hollie and Trinity Miler, Amber Reese, and Hailey and Jayda Chew. Your help that day was very much appreciated!

- Please make sure you are sending Thank You’s to anyone who helped you prepare for the fair or throughout the fair. Some examples include: fairboard member, another 4-H member or family, 4-H leader, or the person/business who bought your animal at the sale. These Thank You’s is what keeps bring people back to the fair each year.

- I want to take a moment and congratulate Rileigh Hiatt and Ily Brewer for receiving the Mateer Award of Excellence. Rileigh is a member of the Triple Troopers 4-H club, some of her projects include dogs, poultry, many projects in the exhibit building and Youth Council. Ily Brewer is a member of the K.W. Hustlers 4-H club, some of her projects include beef and many exhibit building projects.
Exhibit Building - Iowa State Fair Bound!

Congratulations to the following exhibitors for having their exhibits selected to be showcased at the Iowa State Fair. These 4-Hers include: Mallory Bakley, Kaitlyn Boyer, Weston Brokaw, Hailey Chew, Cady Crawford, Devin DeVore, Colton Hiatt, Rileigh Hiatt, Elayna Irving, Haley Pollard, Hannah Pollard, Hannah Reisinger, Carter Smith, Macey Snell, Ann Taylor, Ally Waske, and Colby Wilken.

We also have state fair participants in the communications events!
- Rileigh Hiatt – Tie Die Butterfly
- Colton Hiatt – Tree Rings
- Cady Crawford, and Haley and Hannah Pollard – Marble Painting

Livestock – Iowa State Fair Bound!

The following exhibitors will be showing their livestock at the Iowa State Fair. Be sure to stop by these 4-H shows and show your support!
- Beef: Mallory Bakley and Paul Queck
- Dogs: Alyssa Staudt and Katie Fuller
- Sheep: Garett Garner, Nathan Manternach and Renae and Samantha Parmer
- Swine: Hannah Reisinger and Dakota Matlage
- Goats: Hollie Miller
- Horse: Bronwyn Miller
- Rabbits: Josiah and Noah Heckman

Special Iowa State Fair Selection

For the past three years the Iowa State Fair has had decorated cement statues placed around the fairgrounds. It started with a cow, last year was an ice cream cone, and this year is a ribbon. Wonder how these get painted? Each year participates fill out an entry form and summit a design of their choice. Carter Cooley’s design has been selected every year! She receives this cement ribbon, paints and completes the design herself. This year you can find Carter’s ribbon near the Little Hands on the Farm.

This year only 50 ribbons ribbon designs were selected, way to go Carter!

MISSION STATEMENT
4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING AND LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CARING ADULTS
Clarke 4-Hers participate in COOK THIS!

Remember me talking about the Cook This contest at the Iowa State Fair? Clarke County had two groups selected to participate in the challenge.

This event will be held in the 4-H Building in presentation room 1. There is seating available for an audience. Juniors will present on Aug. 8th at 10 a.m. and the Intermediates will present on Aug. 9th at 1 p.m.

Juniors group includes:
Colton Hiatt, Austin Sorter, Andrew Davis

Intermediate group includes:
Rileigh Hiatt, Maeci Baumfalk, Katie Carney

Good Luck Cook This participants!!

When will you get your premium money?

For those that sold any animals, your checks will be mailed to you within two weeks. Please refrain from contacting the Extension Office or fairboard members regarding this question.

We understand everyone would like their money and have bills to pay however, the fairboard has to wait for all buyers to pay them before any money can be distributed.

Your ribbon premium money will be available at your club meeting in September or October.

Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show– Omaha, NE

More than 2,000 4-H families from 10 surrounding states participate in Ak-Sar-Ben each year. Competitions include: dairy, feeder calf, breeding beef, horse, market beef, market broilers, meat goats, market swine, sheep, and dairy. Eligibility requirements include: being at least 10 years old by January 1st 2013 and be an active 4-H member.

Over the past few years, we have had Clarke County 4-Hers attend this event and do very well! If this is something you would be interested in learning more about or want to participate in please contact the Extension Office or you can go to the website for more information. http://www.rivercityrodeo.com/stock-show/cattle

4-H PLEDGE
I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE, AND MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ISF Exhibits—dropped off: Exhibits must be brought off to the Extension Office by Tuesday, August 6th by 8 a.m. You should have also received a letter in the mail with details.

2013 Iowa State Fair: August 8th–18th

ISF Exhibit—pick up: Exhibits may be picked up starting Tuesday, August 20th

Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show: September 26th -29th

Swine Graphics Hogs

Did you happen to purchase any hogs from Swine Graphics to show at the fair this year? If so, it is the 4-Hers’ responsibility to pay for those hogs once the 4-Her has received their sale money. Please go to the Swine Graphics office located on Hwy. 34 just past the fairgrounds to pay for these hogs, you will not receive an invoice or reminder in the mail.

Horse and Rider Club

We have seen a growing interest in starting up a Horse and Rider Club again. This club would help you understand the importance of selecting, managing, and showing horses. You will also learn horsemanship skills, and understand training and raising of horses. You will learn the appreciating of riding as a recreation and learn safety skills to prevent injury to the 4-Her and animals.

If this is a club you would be interested in knowing more about or joining, please contact the Extension Office. As we start to plan our meeting time, we need to know who to contact.

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