Upcoming Events

July
1: State Fair Livestock and Horticulture Entries & Payment Due
1: Deadline for FSQA certification
4: Extension Office Closed
9: Bucket Bottle Calf Interviews, Extension Office (3-7 p.m.)
10: Communications Day posters due to the Extension Office by 4:30 p.m.
10: Fashion Revue/Clothing Selection Interviews, Auditorium (2-8 p.m.)
11: Communications Day, Extension Office (1-5 p.m.)
12: Market Beef Performance Class, Maquoketa Sale Barn (7 p.m.)
13: Gift Baskets are due to the Extension Office by 12:00 p.m.
16: Conference Judging Day, Fairgrounds Auditorium (9 a.m.-3 p.m.)
18-22: Clinton County Club Show
20: Fashion Review/Clothing Selection Show, Beef Arena (4:45 p.m.)
20: Discount admission ticket order forms due to Iowa State Fair Entry Dept.

August
9-19: Iowa State Fair
7-9: Horse Show, Iowa State Fair
9: Dairy Show, Iowa State Fair
9: Poultry Show, Iowa State Fair
9: Educational Presentations, Iowa State Fair
9: Share the Fun Presentations, Iowa State Fair
10: Fashion Revue/Clothing Selection/$15 Challenge Show, Ames, IA
13: Educational Presentations Presentations, Iowa State Fair
13: Share the Fun Presentations, Iowa State Fair
13: Performance & Market Lamb Show, Iowa State Fair
13: Breeding Gilt & Market Swine Show, Iowa State Fair
13: Working Exhibits, Iowa State Fair
13: Breeding & Market Steer Show, Iowa State Fair
14: Breeding Heifer Show, Iowa State Fair
15: Market Steer & Heifer Show, Iowa State Fair
16: Rabbit Show, Iowa State Fair
18: Working Exhibits, Iowa State Fair
19: Extemporaneous Speaking Presentations, Iowa State Fair
Conference Judging Day

Conference Judging Day is Monday, July 16th beginning at 9 a.m. Please check the schedule that is posted in the online fair book for the time your club is scheduled to arrive. Here are a few tips to help the day run smoothly:

- Please arrive at least 5-10 minutes before your scheduled time
- Make sure you have your write-up completed (refer to the fair book to make sure you have what you need)
- Bring your completed entry tags, completed Conference Judging Day sheet, specific labels (if needed), and your project.
- Wear appropriate dress (white t-shirt with 4-H emblem, and pants, jeans, or slacks and closed toe shoes)
- Come in through the south door of the auditorium
- 4-H greeters will be there to help you find your way
- When finished judging, turn in your judging day sheet to Extension Staff along with your $2.00 entry fee (unless already paid with livestock entry form) and pick up your fair wristband and meal ticket.

Communications Day

Communications day will be held on Wednesday, July 11th from 1-5 p.m. at the Extension Office. If you have not received a schedule in the mail, please contact the Extension Office. Please plan on being at the Extension Office at least 10 minutes early and be ready to go when your time begins.

Be a Volunteer

We still need volunteers for Conference Judging Day (8:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m., July 16th) and Fashion Revue/Clothing Selection Day (2-8 p.m., July 10th). 4-Her’s and their families are encouraged to sign up. These 4-H events couldn’t be made possible without the help of volunteers like you!
**Fashion Revue/Clothing Selection/$15 Challenge**

All members signed up for Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection and $15 challenge will be judged Tuesday, July 10th between 2:00 and 8:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds auditorium. Every exhibitor should bring:

- **Completed** form for each category entered
- A picture of themselves in the outfit from the **front and back**
- **Completed** commentary form for each outfit judged

All members will then participate in the Fashion Show at the fair on Friday, July 20th. All participants should assemble with their clothing in the auditorium no later than 4:15 p.m. on the day of the show.

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**Club Booth Set Up**

Set up time for club booths will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 17th or Wednesday, July 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.. This year the auditorium will be open to the public starting at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 18th. This years club booth theme is “Brighten Your World”, which is also the theme for the 2012 State 4-H Youth Conference.

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**State Fair Project Transportation**

The Extension Office will provide transportation for the indoor exhibits chosen for the Iowa State Fair. Any 4-Her who would like to take advantage of this exhibit transportation to Des Moines will need to pay $15.00 per family. If you have a large exhibit, check with Darbee Wellman to see if Clinton County Extension can accommodate transportation or not. More information will be handed out at the mandatory State Fair meetings during the county fair. All State Fair meetings will be held in the auditorium and you must attend one if your exhibit is chosen to go to the State Fair.

**State Fair meetings will be:**
- Friday, July 20th at 12:30 p.m.
- Saturday, July 21st at 4 p.m.
- Sunday, July 22nd at 1:30 p.m.
Senior Recognition Ceremony

Graduating Seniors, please remember to turn in your senior questionnaire to the Extension Office by June 29. If you do not have a questionnaire please contact Brianne Johnson at the Extension Office. Please plan on attending the Senior Recognition Ceremony will be at the Clinton County Club Show on Friday, July 20th at 4:00 p.m. in the Beef Arena.

County Fair Food Exhibit Rules

If you plan to exhibit food at the 4-H Club Show, you must follow the rules pertaining to the food project area. These regulations can be found at http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/StateFair/ISF4HHandbook.htm. If you enter a food exhibit containing an unacceptable ingredient your exhibit will be disqualified. Please contact the Extension Office if you have any questions regarding your food exhibit!

Silent Auction Gift Baskets

Clinton County 4-H Endowment will be hosting another Gift Basket Silent Auction during the duration of the fair in the Fair Auditorium. Baskets are due to the Extension Office between July 9th and July 13th. All proceeds from this auction go towards the Clinton County 4-H Endowment Fund. We are encouraging all clubs to put together a basket for the auction, and again inviting families, businesses, and individuals to donate gift baskets.

Local 4-H Achievement Show

The Local Livestock 4-H Achievement Show for the Welton Jr. Farmers, Iowanna, Iowanna Jrs, Delmar Hot Shots, Orange Future Leaders, Mohawk, and Minnehaha 4-H Clubs will be held on Friday, July 13th beginning at 6:00 p.m. with the pets and horses in the Swine Barn on the Clinton County Fairgrounds. A lunch stand will be in the Commercial Exhibits Building.
Juneteenth Petting Zoo

The 4-H Extension staff with the help of 4-Hers, and Farm Bureau recently put on a petting zoo for Clinton’s Juneteenth Celebration. The petting zoo had a variety of animals brought by 4-H members as well as staff doing face painting and tattoos for the Clinton Youth to spread the word of 4-H in Clinton. Overall the event was a success with a large number of children and their parents stopping by the petting zoo and being introduced to the many aspects of the 4-H program.

Goal Questions

Each indoor project that is brought to conference judging needs to have a goal card attached to it. You can find the three goal questions in the fair book or you may use the goal sheet inserted in this newsletter.

Club Show Exhibitor Uniform

The fair book states that all exhibitors at the fair must wear a white t-shirt with a 4-H or FFA emblem or armband. T-shirts from previous years and club t-shirts are acceptable as long as they are white with the 4-H or FFA emblem. The Fair and Youth Committee along with many generous sponsors provided all 4-H members with a t-shirt this year so if you have not received yours yet please connect with your club leader. Also keep in mind that no open toed shoes are acceptable. All livestock exhibitors must wear hard-soled dark colored shoes, with the exception that poultry, rabbit, dog and pet exhibitor’s shoes don’t have to be hard-soled, just dark colored and closed toed.
County Council Biography

Jacob Kilburg is a Junior in High School and is a member of the Goose Lake Jr. Feeders 4-H club. Jacob participates in the woodworking, photography, music, communications, and home improvement areas at the fair. “I enjoy 4-H because it gives me life skills that I can use in my future. It also allows me to push myself to achieve my goals. I have learned so many things throughout my 4-H years and each learning experience has its own fun adventures!” explains Jacob. His advice for younger 4-H members is, “Anything is possible,

2012 - 2013 County Council Applications

If you are going to be a Sophomore, Junior or Senior in high school next fall, you should consider applying for a spot on the 4-H County Council for the 2012 - 2013 4-H year. This is a great opportunity and you can serve as an ambassador to the 4-H community. Applications will be due September 15th to the Extension Office. If you would like an application, stop by the office after the county fair or print it off of the Clinton County Extension Website.

Master Gardener Container Contest

The Clinton County Master Gardeners are holding an Outdoor Container Contest where you can show off your creativity and receive cash prizes. Classes include:
- Most Colorful
- Outstanding Use of Foliage
- Best Use of Edibles
- Best Design
- Most Unusual Container
- Kids Class (12 years and under)

Containers must be entered in the Outdoor Living Classroom between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 18. All containers must be moveable and suitable for the outdoors. You may enter 2 entries per class. If you have any further questions please call the Extension Office at 659-5125.
Fair Livestock Entry and Exit

All livestock will need to be unloaded/loaded promptly, with no extended parking. This will keep the lines of traffic moving. If we work together this should help everyone get in, unloaded or loaded, and get out quickly.

- All trailers/animals can enter from either North Gate
- All trailers/animals will leave using the South and East gates

**Thanks for your help to make this years’ fair a great one!**

See map below for livestock entry and exit instructions.

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Office Hours
Monday: 8-6
Tuesday-Thursday: 8-4:30
Friday: 8-3

The Extension Office will be closed on July 4th