Mark Your Calendar:

- Hog Weigh-in will be March 23rd from 9-11 a.m.

If you are planning on going to the Poultry Clinic that day please make sure you get to weigh-ins early so you can do both.

* Sheep and Goat Weigh in will be April 27 from 8-11 a.m.

YQCA Dates:

February 16 at 10:30
March 16 at 10:30

April Date Has Changed: April 6th at 10:30. It will still say the old date on the YQCA website. Make sure you write the new date down for your records!

You only have to attend one of these trainings if you don’t do the online training. You must register ahead of time online at: https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login
DON’T FORGET THE RULE CHANGE CONTEST!

The Rule Change Contest is running now until March 4th. The fair 4-H and FFA Rulebook is posted on the county website:

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/davis/4h

Whoever can find the most rule changes from last year to this year will win either a gift certificate to Pizza Hut or a shirt from the 4-H Mall.

Tip: take a copy of last years book and this years book and highlight on the new book the changes. The office can print these for you!

Leadership Opportunity for High School Youth
Youth in grades 9th-12th can apply to be teen leaders for the National 4-H Native Bee Challenge. This is a great opportunity to gain leadership skills for youth interested in insects, agriculture, conservation, or horticulture. Youth just need to complete this short online application! Contact Maya Hayslett to get more information.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdc6_e0NvqY3kgdyuJf0bs_OxOjl0mE9HymbDD_7D1TFyeGeA/viewform

Donations Wanted:
The Iowa State University Block and Bridle Horse Show is looking for silent auction donations to benefit One Heart Equestrian Therapy. Contact organizer Jessica Field if your clubs or partners are interested in donating gift baskets, items, gift cards, etc.

The Auction will take place during the Block and Bridle Horse Show on April 20th, 2019.

https://www.onehearthorses.org/

Jessica Field: jfield@iastate.edu

Davis County 4-H Foundation
The Senior 4-H Scholarship is available at the Extension Office. Deadline to return these is April 1st. Please swing by the office to get yours.
Please stop by the office if you would like a registration form and for cost information.

**Animal Science Roundup**
Animal Science Roundup is June 25-27 at ISU in conjunction with 4-H Conference and will feature seven species this year – beef, dairy, horse, meat goat, poultry, sheep and swine. Applications and promotional materials can be found on the 4-H Animal Science Roundup webpage. Applications are due to the State 4-H Office by April 15.

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/animalscienceroundup
2019 Dairy Goat Share-A-Kid Opportunity

Are you looking for a new and exciting way to expand your 4-H experience? Interested in showing an animal, but don’t know if you can afford one of good quality?

Each year, the Iowa Dairy Goat Association promotes interest in dairy goats in our state. One of the ways they encourage young people in this aspect of agriculture is through their Share-A-Kid program.

Winning applicants are selected from the essays they send in. This statewide contest is open to youth in 4th thru 12th grades and who are a member of IDGA, 4-H, FFA, or other agricultural groups. IDGA can only award one goat per family per year; however, siblings are encouraged to apply.

An essay of 100 words or more, should tell why the applicant would like to have a dairy goat, how they are going to take care of her (food, shelter, and medical care), if they have ever raised a goat before and if not, who will help them, why they love goats, and what they love about goats. Spelling, content, and effort count. The essay can include drawings, photos, or any other creative touches.

If you are interested visit https://www.iowadairygoat.org/share-a-kid-program/ for more details and an application form. Entries must be postmarked by March 15, 2019.
4-H Healthy Living Club Challenge

RACE ACROSS IOWA

Challenge Kick Off: November 1st - May 31, 2019

Clubs take part in the challenge by introducing a variety of healthy living practices during club meetings each month. Completing the challenges earns the clubs "miles" as they race across Iowa throughout all 20 regions of the state. This 1,400 mile route destination sure fulfills the definition of a challenge, but by working together as a team and setting goals to incorporate healthy living practices each month, we hope to see you meet or surpass the final mile by the end of June!

Each month, the club submits the online tracker for that respective month. The club will designate who will do this each month, whether it be an adult or youth leader. The link for the month will be found here on the webpage. Be sure to submit your progress monthly so results can be tracked and published by county and across the state. Don't wait until the end of the challenge to submit your monthly accomplishments, because each monthly tracker is due by the 10th of the following month. (For example: November tracker is due December 10th, December tracker is due January 10th, etc.)

In addition to the 3 main challenges, clubs can earn extra miles by completing the monthly bonus challenge outlined below.

Registration is open!

Clubs can register for the challenge at any point between December-May, but they can only earn miles once they've registered. **Earn 50 miles for registering your club and earn 100 more by electing a club Wellness Officer!** If you already have a wellness/healthy living officer - then way to go! You can count those bonus points.

Earning miles for the 3 challenge areas + a bonus challenge will begin in December!

-----------------------------------------------

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach does not discriminate on the basis of age, disability, ethnicity, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, or status as a U.S. veteran. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies may be directed to Ross Wilburn, Diversity Officer, 2150 Beardshear Hall, 515 Morrill Road, Ames, Iowa 50011, 515-294-1482, wilburn@iastate.edu.
RABBIT WORKSHOP
March 9, 2019
10:00—2:00 at the Davis County Fairgrounds

The workshop will be held on Saturday March 9, 2019 from 10 am—2 pm for 4-H members. Youth who have shown rabbits before or youth that are interested in showing rabbits are encouraged to attend.

Participants will gain valuable knowledge on:

- Showmanship techniques
- Rabbit breeds
- Health and housing
- Equipment
- General care
- Nutrition
- Grooming
- Rabbit tattoos

Rabbits will be present and possibly a “practice” show.

A “make your own rabbit carrier” session will be available to youth who wish to participate, conducted by Wolfe Rabbit supplies. Carriers cost will depend on size. Information on carriers will be available. Reserve your kit before the workshop.

Additional information will be available closer to event!

Contact Davis County Extension office to sign up—641-664-2730

WORKSHOP OF THE MONTH:
There will be no workshops held at the office for the month of March. Please attend the Poultry Clinic and Rabbit Workshop for this month’s activities!
Davis County 4-H Poultry Clinic  
March 23, 2019 at 10:00-2:00  
Davis County 4-H Building  

Clinic Presenter: Doug Glosser

Standard of Perfection  
Breeds/Classes  
Cocks, Cockerel, Hen, Pullets  
Egg and/or Meat Production  
Types of Combs  
Conditioning  
Show Day Preparation  
Showmanship Tips

Please pre-register with the office.
Iowa 4-H Camera Corps is a talented group of youth photographers working together to make beautiful, powerful, and creative photographs of communities from across the state of Iowa. It is a unique opportunity to practice your photography skills and receive public recognition and juror feedback on your work.

Each month, a photography theme is provided with a different focus. Professional evaluators will give individual feedback to each photographer after they submit their monthly photograph, and then each photograph will be exhibited digitally on the Iowa 4-H Facebook page where voting will be open to the public.

The top ten Juror’s Choice and top ten People’s Choice photographs will be printed, framed, and shown at statewide gallery exhibitions every month.

New for this year we are adding a certificate program where youth photographers will level up from newbie to master photographers as they complete certain tasks and challenges.

All youth from all counties are welcome to join Iowa 4-H Camera Corps. We want to help you become the best photographers you can be!

The application to join Iowa 4-H Camera Corps 2018/2019 can be found here:

Please remember that the Iowa 4-H website has TONS of great info for you.

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/

Leaders: Don’t forget that you to have a website full of resources for you as well!

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volunteerresources
Power Paws first meeting for the 2019 year will be Monday, April 1, 2019 7-8pm. This is an informational meeting for members and parents - NO dogs. Bring proof of rabies and current vaccines. Meetings will continue every Monday until fair at the fairgrounds, 7-8 pm. The Obedience and Showmanship show will be Monday July 15 5:00pm. The Agility show will be Tuesday July 16 5:00 pm. Information is available on our FB page DC Power Paws. Contact Amanda Johnson 641.208.1911 with any questions.

Iowa Youth Dairy Coalition
Youth ages 10-18, with an interest in the dairy industry are encouraged to participate in the 2019 Youth Dairy Coalition hosted in Dyersville by the Dairy Science Club at Iowa State University March 29-30. Check out the 2019 YDC Youth Letter for more information.

https://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/51637/images/Youth%20Dairy%20Coalition%202019%20Registration%20Form.pdf

Shooting Sports
SESS still needs additional volunteers to register to attend the March 23-24 Shooting Sports Instructor Training. Register Online - Contact Nate Weber with questions
Clarke County Youth Dog Show

June 23, 2019
Clarke County Fairgrounds 2070 Hwy 34 Osceola, Iowa 50213

Open to all youth who are members of Iowa 4-H

Obedience, Agility, and Rally Classes!

Registration forms and more information can be found at our website
www.extension.iastate.edu/clarke

Pre-Registration Entry Fee: $5.00 per dog/class
Pre-Registration is due to the Clarke Co. Extension Office by June 10
Entry Fee the day of show: $7.00 per dog/Class

Questions? Contact Mallory Jamison at the Clarke Co. Extension Office
154 West Jefferson
Osceola, IA 50213
(641) 342-3316 or mjamison@iastate.edu

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach does not discriminate on the basis of age, disability, ethnicity, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, national origin, pregnancy, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, or status as a U.S. veteran, or other protected classes. Direct inquiries to the Diversity Advisor, 515-294-1482, extdiversity@iastate.edu.