

Fayette County

March 2023

4-H
CLOVER
KIDS

CLUB MEETINGS

Arlington Igniters

Mar 21 — 6:30 pm

Banks Go Getters

Mar 12 — 5 pm

Dover Clover Kids

Mar 5 — 4 pm

Dynamite Clovers

Mar 12 — 5 pm

Eden Outer Limits

Mar 12 — 7 pm

Fayette Clovers

No meeting

Fremont Friends

Mar 19 — 4 pm

Growing Greener

Mar 19 — 6:30 pm

Oelwein Cool Clovers

Mar 21 — 4 pm

Pleasant Valley

No meeting

Scott Hot Shots

Mar 5 — 1 pm

Windsor Sparkplugs

Mar 5 — 6 pm

To my Clover Kid Friends,

Hard to believe that Spring is right around the corner, but I'm ready! With Spring in mind, comes March Madness. Yes, March is a very busy month in the 4-H world but there is one item on the 4-H calendar that I would like to invite you and your families to...the Omelet and Pancake Brunch. This is an annual event and will be held on Sunday, March 12th with serving a made-to-order omelet, all you can eat pancakes, applesauce, milk, and coffee. Cost is \$10 per person and those 5 and under are free.

This annual fundraiser helps support the program development fee that is accessed by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach so please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Tickets can be purchased from a current 4th grade and older 4-H member, from the Extension Office, or at the door.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Cloverly,

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Aqua Charades



This month's activity comes from KinderNature...a resource for early childhood educators and is called "Aqua Charades".

Did you know that every molecule of water that was present when the Earth's oceans were formed millions of years ago is still present today? That means the water you drink is the same water dinosaurs drank! All living things need water: plants, animals, and people. Water is important to us for many purposes such as drinking, bathing, and growing our food.

DO!

⇒ Set up stations for children to explore water.

Supplies:

- scoops, cups and other tools for filling, dumping and exploring
- cold water
- warm water
- ice

Additional Options:

- ⇒ Boil water to show children water in its gas form of steam.
- ⇒ REFLECT: Ask children:
 - Do you use water?
 - How do you use water?
 - Who else uses water?
 - Do animals use water? Plants?
 - Where do you find water? At your home? Outside?
 - What do you like about water?
- ⇒ Invite children to think of different words that describe water such as wet, cool or splash.
- ⇒ Collect items from outside on your playground such as rocks, sticks, leaves or seeds.
 - Which do they think will float?
 - Which do they think will sink?

APPLY:

- ⇒ Allow children to experiment with each item in the water.
- ⇒ Create water collages. Have children look through magazines for pictures of water or people and/or animals using water. Let them cut out the pictures they want and glue them to a piece of paper. You could also incorporate the letter W into the collages.

Journal:

Help your child keep track of all the ways your family uses water for one day. You might keep a piece of paper on the kitchen table. Each time someone uses water, they can record it on the paper. At the end of the day, review the paper and help your child draw or write the water uses in his or her Nature Notebook. Talk about other ways you use water on a weekly, monthly or occasional basis. How do you use water for fun?



Reading Suggestions

Books are appropriate for Clover Kid age and have “water” in the text.

The list below is just a few books listed on the www.Kindernature.org book search. Check it out and see others that are also available.

A Drop of Water

Morrison, G. 2006. Houghton Mifflin Company.

All Night Near the Water

Arnosky, J. 1999. Penguin Young Readers Group.

Did a Dinosaur Drink This Water?

Wells, R.E. 2006. Albert Whitman & Company.

Drip! Drop!: How Water Gets to Your Tap

Seuling, B. 2000. Holiday House, Inc.

Freshwater Fishing

Allan Morey, This photo-illustrated book describes the basics of fishing, including information on gear, bait, tackle, and safety.

County Fair

Did you know that Clover Kids can participate in Communication Day events? This day is held on Thursday, July 6 and will be held at the United Methodist Church in Fayette. There is no fee to participate but ALL participants must enter through www.fayette.fairentry.com by June 15.

The Communications Event program provides opportunities for 4-H youth to develop their personal communication skills by sharing talents, knowledge, or information with others. The events provide a series of developmental experiences for different age levels. Categories:

Share the Fun

Provides an opportunity for Clover Kids to perform before an audience purely for enjoyment. Acts must be in good taste, not offensive to anyone and must not exceed 5 minutes in length. Acceptable entertainment may include short one act skits, song, stunts/ gymnastics, dances, or playing of piano or another instrument.

Educational Presentation

Clover Kid members demonstrate communication skills and present knowledge and information to a desired audience on an outgrowth of their 4-H experience. Educational Presentations must not exceed 8 minutes in length.

I do hope that you will consider participating in Communication Day events. If you have any questions, please reach out. Next month's County Fair topic will be “Clothing Event”.

Program Priorities

In this edition of the newsletter, I would like to focus on the program priority of “Healthy Living.”

Healthy Living is not just about making healthy food choices.

Did you know that the month of March is “Read Across Iowa?” This is a special event held during the month of March to help motivate children to read. The month-long celebration bring the joys of reading to youth of all ages and make all youth feel valued and welcomed. Join in the fun and challenge yourself to read each day during the month.



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4-H Rocks! Clover Kid Day!

APRIL 15, 2023

9:00 AM—3:00 PM

FAYETTE OPERA HOUSE



- ⇒ This event is open to all current K-3rd graders. 4-H membership is not required, so invite a friend to register!
- ⇒ Cost is \$10 — fee covers snacks and lunch (build your own mini pizza, fruit, carrots and milk). A water bottle will be provided for each participant.
- ⇒ Participants are encouraged to dress in comfortable clothes for indoor and painting activities.

Register online at <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

Registration for events/workshops is done through 4-H Online. This event is open to 4-H members and participants (non-members). **Maximum registrants for this event is 60.** *The fees for service will be used to offset direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development County Extension Program.*

Questions? — Please call Iowa State University Extension and Outreach—Fayette County at 563.425.3331 or email xfayette@iastate.edu

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Iowa 4-H Event Registration Help Sheet for Families (Members and Participants/Non-Members)

Registration for events or workshops is done through 4-H Online. Some events are open to members and participants (non-members), while other events are open to members only. Some events may only have a limited number of spots available. If you have questions concerning event registration, contact your local extension office.

Go to: <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

For currently enrolled 4-H clover kids and community club members:

1. Log in using your 4HOnline email and password. If you do not know or remember your password – click “Do not remember password”. A temporary password will be sent to the email associated with your account. (Do not create a new account... this creates duplicates within the system and will cause delays with your event registration.)
2. Once you have logged in, you will be taken to the Member List screen. If you are not listed as a member, click the “Add Member” button. Adults participating (if there is an adult option for the event) will also need to follow this process.
3. To view all Events of which you are eligible to attend, click Events in the navigation pane. A list of all available options will appear.
4. Click on the event for which you wish to register. Select “4-H” and complete the remaining screens.

For Participants (Non-Members):

1. *If you had an account in 4-H Online at any point, please contact your county office prior to enrolling in an event.*
2. If you do not have / never have had a 4-H Online account, click on “Don’t have an account?” link and complete the steps to create an account.
3. Select Iowa 4-H Youth Development as your institution.
4. When prompted for which program you would like to join, select “4-H” and complete the remaining screens. You will be prompted to complete demographic information needed for federal reporting, electronically sign consents and permissions, etc.

