Fayette County 4-H News

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Food Bank Help Needed in April
The Fayette County Food Bank is needing Fayette County 4-H members and their families to help unloading the truck and assisting at the food bank on Saturday, April 13 from 8:30 am-noon at the Crossfire Church in West Union.

40 individuals are needed, both youth and adults. If interested in assisting, please let the Extension Office know. All help is greatly appreciated.

The 17th annual 4-H Omelet Brunch will be held on Sunday, March 17 with serving from 9 am to 1 pm at the Dance Pavilion located at the Fayette County Fairgrounds.

Tickets may be purchased at the door for $8. The menu will include a made-to-order omelet, all you can eat pancakes, applesauce, coffee and milk. A silent auction will also take place during the brunch with the winners announced at 1:15 pm.

Supporting the omelet brunch is very important and all monies raised benefit each member's program development fee and the Fayette County 4-H program.

Reminder to clubs: Auction items may be brought to the office before noon on Friday, March 15 or to the fairgrounds between 9 and noon on Saturday, March 16.

Michele Kelly, CYC
**Weigh-in & Fair information**

**Swine Weigh-in** — Saturday, March 30, 2019 at the Fayette County Fairgrounds, West Union, 8-10 am

**Sheep/Meat Goat Weigh-in** — May 4, 2019 at Fayette County Fairgrounds, West Union, 8-10 am

**Fayette County Fair Dates** — July 23-27

**Iowa State Fair Dates** — August 8-18

**2019 Fair Theme**

“A Universe of Possibilities!”

This theme will also be used for the Youth Conference held in June and one of the themes for this year’s 4-H Poster contest. Put your thinking caps on and start planning!

**Livestock ID’s Due May 15**

Livestock identification will be done through 4-H Online. [https://iowa.4honline.com](https://iowa.4honline.com) for breeding beef, horses, dairy, dairy goats, dogs, bucket/bottle calves and breeding sheep.

Identification is due in by **11:59 pm, Wednesday, May 15**. For help entering non-weighed species, please check out the insert page on ID’ing livestock found elsewhere in the newsletter.

Those turning in paper copies, must have ID forms to the Extension Office by noon on Friday, May 10. If you have questions, please ask in advance.

FFA members ID forms will be sent to advisors. Youth are encouraged to obtain copies and return prior to the May 10 noon deadline.

**Animal ID Limits**

Below are numbers from the State 4-H Office about the number of animals you may ID in 4-H Online. Remember, these are the number of animals you may identify, not the number of animals you may show at the Fayette County Fair. Please refer to the Fayette County Fairbook for the number you may show at the fair.

- **Breeding Beef** 10
- **Market Beef** 10
- **Dairy Cattle** 20
- **Dog** 4
- **Horse** 5
- **Poultry** 30
- **Rabbits** 30
- **Sheep (weighed)** 30
- **Swine** 40

**2019 Livestock County Fair Requirements**

There are six important things to remember if you are planning to exhibit animals at the 2019 Fayette County Fair.

1. **Weigh-in**—Market Beef in December, Swine on March 30, Sheep & Meat Goats on May 4.
2. **Livestock identification** is due in 4-H Online by May 15 for animals that were not required to be weighed. Paper copies must be turned in to the Extension Office by noon on May 10.
3. **YQCA (Youth Quality Care of Animals)** certification is required for all 4-H and FFA members who intend to exhibit animals that could enter the food supply.
4. **Fair entry** is due on or before June 17 for all animals, including Clover Kids.
5. A copy of registration papers must be turned in by June 17 for all animals showing in registered classes.
6. **Share-a-Project** forms are due by May 15 for individuals showing livestock they do not own.

**Fayette County Broiler Project**

Plans are underway for the 12th annual Broiler Project open to Fayette County 4-H and FFA members and Clover Kids.

Registration forms for the broiler project can be found on the Fayette County 4-H website under County Fair Forms or from club leaders. Enrollment deadline is April 10.

Youth participating in the broiler project need to obtain their own sponsors. Sponsorship this year is $30 for 25 chicks and first bag of feed.

**Upcoming YQCA Class**

New in 2019…All livestock exhibitors at the Fayette County and Iowa State Fair who exhibit market or breeding beef, dairy and dairy goats, market or breeding sheep, swine, meat goats, poultry or rabbits must complete YQCA if not currently certified in FSQA.

Note change: 2 face to face classes will be held on March 23. Youth must attend one or the other. Class times will be 10 am-11:30 am or 1 pm-2:30 pm.

Members of the YDC have graciously agreed to pay the $3 face to face fee accessed by YQCA for Fayette County 4-H members.

If you miss this face to face class you will have to complete the online course at a fee of $12.
ENTERING LIVESTOCK ID’S ONLINE IS EASY!

HERE’S HOW:

Log in to 4-H Online Log at [https://iowa.4honline.com](https://iowa.4honline.com). Enter family email address and password. This will take you to the member list which includes all of your family members enrolled in 4-H: members and leaders.

Click “Edit” to the right of the member listed. You will then be sent to that member’s Personal Information Screen.

On this screen, click on the box that says Animals/Livestock and go to your animal ID screen.

If you identified any dairy cattle, dairy goats, horses, breeding meat goats or dogs last year, those animals will be listed at the bottom of the animal list screen and may be reactivated.

Photos

Horse photos are **required** to be uploaded for ID purposes. You may also upload photos of your dairy cattle and dogs.

⇒ You will then see a drop down box any previously entered animals listed in a manner similar to the picture. Select the animal you want to enter and click the add button (hidden in photo by drop down).

⇒ This will take you to the corresponding entry screen for your animal. Note that some selections will activate extra entry fields. (Example: selecting Registered will in some cases show a Breed drop down box. Enter the information requested and click the save button. **All animal ID’s must be submitted no later than May 15, 11:59 p.m.**)

Note: Youth will not be able to enter market weigh-in animals (beef, sheep, swine). This information will be entered by county staff. All market animals being shown at the Iowa State Fair will need to be verified after this has been completed. Please refer to the Livestock Verification Help Sheet for more information on this process.

Questions??? Contact the Fayette County Extension Office 563-425-3331 or email Judy at jmohlis@iastate.edu or visit the website at [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4honline-information-families-and-leaders](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4honline-information-families-and-leaders)
4-H Omelet Brunch is March 17

The Fayette County 4-H Omelet Brunch will be Sunday, March 17 in the Dance Pavilion located at the fairgrounds with serving from 9 am-1 pm. Selling tickets in advance is important and a letter has been sent to the club leaders explaining the process.

All proceeds from the brunch will benefit the 4-H program in Fayette County with a large portion used to offset the county portion of the program development fee paid to the state 4-H office per member.

Omelet Brunch work schedule:

**Saturday, March 16—Set up**
9-11 am — Eldorado Eagles
Sewing Club
Independent Members

**Sunday, March 17**
9-10 am — Bethel Generators
10-11 am — Eden Outer Limits
Harlan NRG
11 am-noon — Fremont Friends
Pleasant Valley Sharpshooters
Arlington Ignitors

Noon—1pm — Growing Greener
Windsor Sparkplugs
Banks Go Getters
Harlan Fremont

1-2 pm —Clean up — Scott Hot Shots
Fayette Firecrackers

Please remember a silent auction fundraiser will also be held during this time and clubs are asked to donate with all items starting at $15. Clubs not providing an item will be assessed $25.

Wanted: 4-H Camp Counselors

Attention High School 4-H Members!

Do you like the outdoors?

Are you up for adventures with junior 4-H members?

Then being a 4-H camp counselor may be for you. We are looking for 4-H youth counselors to provide leadership in partnership with 4-H staff at the Regional Pine Bluff 4-H Camps.

Both junior camps are 2 days and 1 night. Junior camps will be June 6-7 and June 18-19. Sign up for one camp or both. Applications will be available for 9-12th grade members after February 1. Contact Michele, County Youth Coordinator for more information. Deadline to apply is April 15.
2019 Pine Bluff 4-H Camp

Expand your world, add to your passport and enjoy the great outdoors at Pine Bluff 4-H Camp near Decorah! Tube the Upper Iowa River, bunk in primitive cabins, night hike through Pine Bluff Forest, navigate your taste buds, team building, cultural painting, warrior dances, and enjoy games from around the world. This camp is a 2 day, 1 night adventure with new friends, cabin team challenges, games, and so much more! Camps are scheduled for June 6-7 or June 18-19. Camp T-shirt is included in the registration fee. Don't delay...sign up today!

Open to all 4-H members currently in 6th, 7th and 8th grades. The registration fee is $25, for Fayette County 4-H'ers, and is due by April 15. For more information on the trip, contact the Extension Office. A registration form is available in last month’s newsletter and on the county website.

2019 4-H Summer Adventure Trip

‘Screaming for Adventure’ Join us for 2 days and 1 night on the 2019 4-H Intermediate Summer Adventure Trip. Youth will be staying overnight at a motel in Le Mars, IA. The adventure includes stops at the Blue Bunny Ice Cream Parlor, along with Browns Century Theatre and fun at Arnolds Park. Arnolds Park features a thrilling ride for everyone. Relive the exhilaration of your first amusement park ride and do some screaming of your own on the newly renovated track of the Legend Roller Coaster. Don’t forget after touring the Blue Bunny Ice Cream Parlor there will be ice cream! Open to all current in 6th, 7th and 8th grade 4-H members.

Registration fee is $80.00 for Fayette County 4-H youth. (Note $20 of the registration fee will be paid from the Fayette County Youth Development Committee and $50 from the Fayette County 4-H Foundation.) Registration is due by April 15. Space is limited.

***Registration fee increases $10 after April 15. A registration form is available in last month’s newsletter and on the county website.

Fair T-shirt Design Contest

The Fayette County t-shirt design contest is open to all county 4-H and FFA members. The shirts will be green with gold with blue lettering this year. The design must have the year 2019 and the 4-H & FFA words or symbols and fit on an 8 1/2 by 11 sheet of paper.

Please write your name on the back of your entry and turn it into the Extension Office by May 1. Contest winner will receive the choice of a free t-shirt or $5.

“A Universe of Possibilities” is the theme for the 2019 Fayette County Fair.

Communications Day

Communications Day will be here before we know it. The event will take place on Monday, July 8 at the United Methodist Church in Fayette beginning at 9 am.

Share the Fun, Educational Presentations, Working Exhibits, Clothing Selection, Fashion Revue, $15 Challenge along with Food and Nutrition Fair foods and place settings will be judged throughout the day.

Entry forms will be made available to 4-H and Clover Kids leaders at the April 30 leaders meeting and are due to the Extension Office by June 17.

State Youth 4-H Conference June 25-27

Every June, around 900, current 8th-12th grade teenagers, 4-H and non 4-H members converge on the campus of Iowa State University for 3 days full of speakers, workshops, mixers, dances, a banquet, and community service activities. Attendees get to experience campus life and meet new people from across the state while having fun learning by doing, dancing the nights away, and serving the community. You will learn new things to take back to your county, community and school, and in the process you might even discover something new about yourself!

There are also opportunities for you to share your talents with the rest of the delegation through small group discussion, the Conference Chorus, and a Talent Show!

If you'd like to be part of the team to capture the Conference in photos, join the Iowa 4-H Youth Camera Corps, and bring your camera. Things will be done a little different this year. Youth will get to learn photo skills and put them to work through the workshop series.

Regular registration fee of $180 will open on March 20 will close on June 1 with late registration for $200 available until June 10. Applications and workshop listing will be released soon. They can be found at https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference
Animal Science Roundup

Animal Science Roundup will be held June 25-27, 2019 on ISU Campus in conjunction with 4-H Youth Conference. Species being offered this year include Beef, Dairy, Horse, Meat Goat, Poultry, Sheep, and Swine with a total of 20 youth selected in each species. Youth interested in attending must submit an online application by April 15. This application can be found at [https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/animalsciencesroundup](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/animalsciencesroundup)

If you are wondering what Animal Science Roundup is about check out the following video [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pKPD_J-d31w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pKPD_J-d31w)

If you have a specific interest in animal science, you might want to look into becoming part of the ROUND-UP track! There are also workshop tracks that span all 3 days for certain topics if you’d like to study something in more depth or you can choose different workshops each day to get more variety while you’re on campus.

Youth NOT selected for Animal Science Roundup can still attend the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference by submitting the regular Conference Registration found on the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference Page located at [https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference)

State Conference Scholarship

Interested in attending State 4-H Conference? Scholarships are available through Iowa 4-H Foundation with application forms found at [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference) at the bottom of the right hand column.

Youth from Fayette County must have completed scholarship forms filled out, signed and returned to the Extension Office by June 1.

4-H Nation: Citizenship Trip

The next meeting will be March 24 at 2 pm at the Fayette County Fairgrounds Dance Pavilion. The following volunteered to serve as hosts: Isabell Eitel, Isabelle Steinbronn, Kaylee Thompson, Ayrel Allwood and Dillion Sparrgrove. Abby Boehm and Ashton Pfister will be presenting. Remember—these meetings are very important.

Program Fee Payment

The following clubs haven’t turned in their 4-H Program Fee which was due by January 15. They are Arlington Ignitors, Harlan-Fremont and 4-H Sewing Club. Please have your club treasurer submit payment to the Fayette County Extension Office asap.

Missing Materials

Thank you to those clubs who have turned in their club financials, club program book, Request to Establish a 4-H Club form and Club Compliance Report. Clubs who still need to turn in one or more of these are:

Arlington Ignitors
Harlan NRG
Harlan-Fremont

4-H Leaders Meeting

All leaders are encouraged to attend the 4-H leaders meeting will be held on Monday, March 4 beginning at 7 pm at the Extension Office.

Agenda items include: fair schedules (Clover Café & Patrolling), support needed for clubs; upcoming deadlines and more!

Volunteer Training, 4-H Fosters

Independence Online Training is Available

If you missed the face to face training held in early November you may go online at [https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volmgt](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volmgt) to complete the required training prior to the July 1, 2019 deadline.

When completing this training, 4-H volunteers will gain information and hands-on training on the best practices that strengthen youth understanding of citizenship, leadership, communications, and other positive youth development principles and practices.

Once you have completed the training segment, please be sure to click on the “certificate” link when they have finished viewing the training to get credit for viewing.
Dear Clover Kids,

Unfortunately, due to the icy weather, Clover Kids Day was cancelled on Saturday, February 23. At this time I am working on getting it rescheduled. Once a new date is confirmed, information will be sent to all Fayette County Clover Kids and the non-4-H members who were signed up for the fun filled day. Please be watching for materials to arrive in mid-March with several choices and the deadline to re-register. If a date is not confirmed a letter will be sent to those who registered in regard to how return payments will be handled.

March is full of 4-H events! I encourage you to look at the newsletter and participate if you can. The omelet brunch is the big county wide event and benefits all 4-H members kindergarten thru 12th graders. Please reach out to any Fayette County 4th-12th grade 4-H members and purchase your tickets in advance or plan to purchase at the door on March 17. Tickets are $8 for those kindergarten and older. Preschool and younger or free.

Hard to believe we are working our way into the month of March. So, for this month’s Clover Kids craft I searched Pinterest and found a paper plate craft I think our Clover Kids will enjoy making. Looks easy and remember if you, as a Clover Kid club leader need supplies, before purchasing, contact the Extension Office to see if we can help you out. Please call/email me in advance to allow time to gather.

Michele Kelly, CYC

Fair form reminder:
As we get closer and closer to fair time, I’d like to remind the Clover Kid families that you too will have deadlines that need to be met. Please be watching for the release of the fairbook sometime in March along with information to be sent to your home. These dates are important and deadline dates will be enforced. Personally, I suggest that families don’t wait until the last date possible to submit the paperwork. Currently Clover Kid paperwork is in paper form so please if mailing, mail early and be sure that postage adhered is enough, so it isn’t returned to your mailbox. Please know that the Extension office does not accept mailings that require postage due.

Paper Plate Clover Craft

https://www.gluedtomycraftsblog.com/2015/02/paper-plate-clover-kid-craft.html

Supplies Needed:
* Large Paper Plate
* Green Tissue Paper
* Kid Friendly Craft Scissors
* Green Colored Cardstock
* Basic School Glue
* Hand-Held Stapler

Directions:
First fold your paper plate in half, then in half again.

Using your scissors, trim your paper plate piece to look like a heart. When unfolded, this will give the look of the four-leaf clover.

Once you have the design you like, unfold the paper plate and try to flatten it as much as you can.

Grab your green tissue paper and cut it into small squares.

Using a good amount of glue, cover the clover cutout you just made by placing the tissue paper on top of the glue, until it’s completely covered.

To finish off the paper plate clover craft, simply cut a stem out of the green cardstock or construction paper and staple it to the paper piece.

Note this could be turned into a 4-H clover by adding H’s to each part of the clover.

Display proudly for everyone to see!
Calendar of Events

March
1 — Fayette Co. 4-H Scholarships due to Ext. Office
4 — 4-H Leader Meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office
12 — 4-H Nation: Citizenship Trip to Des Moines
14 — YDC Meeting, 7:30 pm, Extension Office
16 — Omelet Brunch Set up, 9 am, Dance Pavilion
16 — County Council Meeting, Noon, Ext. Office
16 — County Council Bingo, 2:15 pm, Maple Crest
17 — Omelet Brunch, 9 am—1 pm, Dance Pavilion
23 — YQCA Class, 10-11:30 am, Extension Office
23 — YQCA Class, 1-2:30 pm, Extension Office
24 — 4-H Nation: Citizenship, 2 pm, Dance Pavilion
30 — Swine Weigh-in, 8-10 am, Fairgrounds

Club Meetings

Arlington Ignitors:
Banks Go Getters: March 10, 12:30 pm, United Methodist Church
Bethel Generators: March 10, 3 pm, Hawkeye Legion
Dover Clovers: March 3, 2 pm, Leader's shed
Dynamite Clovers: March 10, 5:30 pm, Maynard Comm. Hall
Eden Outer Limits: No meeting
Eldorado Eagles: March 10, 1:30 pm, Holy Name Church
Fayette Clovers: No meeting
Fayette Firecrackers: No meeting
Fremont Friends: March 3, 9:30 am, Ice cream shop
Growing Greener: March 2, 8 am, Greenhouse
Harlan Fremont: March 10, 7 pm, Maynard Comm. Hall
Harlan NRG: March 17, 1-3:15 pm, Westgate Comm. Hall
Pleasant Valley Sharpshooters: March 3, 4 pm, Elgin Legion
Scott Hot Shots & Clover Kids: No meeting
Shooting Sports:
Windsor Sparkplugs: March 3, 6:30 pm, Hawkeye Legion

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