



CLOVER LEAVES NEWSLETTER

January/February 2018

Dear 4-H Families,

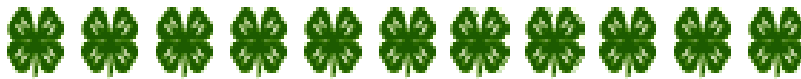
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As each of us begin the new 2018 year, I ask that you think of ways 4-H can be made even better in Floyd County. Is there something specific you'd like to learn about? An activity you'd like to try? If so, please share with myself and/or your club leader. 4-H is about the youth having a voice and a choice so let your voice be heard.

Please be sure to read this newsletter completely as there are many exciting workshops, scholarships, and other opportunities happening! If you have questions about 4-H, upcoming events, deadlines or anything else, please contact the Extension office, 641/228-1453.

Until next time,

Lesley



NEW MEMBER NIGHT JANUARY 22

Are you a new 4-H member of Floyd County 4-H? Do you have questions about 4-H? We will be having a new member orientation for you and your parents to find out all about the 4-H program from club business meetings, record keeping, 4-H projects, fair exhibits and much more! Join us on Monday, January 22 at the Extension office from 6:30-8:00pm. Pizza will be served. We encourage all parents to stay with their 4-H'er. Call or email to register: 641/228-1453 or xfloyd@iastate.edu.

Cancellations and Postponements
Cancellations and Postponements for County Extension and 4-H activities due to inclement weather will be broadcast on KCHA 95.9FM

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4-H LEADER TRAINING FEBRUARY 26

The required leader training for the 2017-2018 year will be held on February 26 beginning at 6pm, Extension office. "4-H Builds Resilience" is this year's theme. Please plan to join as we learn more about engaging youth in intentional, meaningful ways.

4-H RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

Exciting opportunities are available for Senior 4-H members: National 4-H Conference, National 4-H Congress, State 4-H Council, Iowa Youth Tech Team, and State Project Awards. Opportunities require an application submitted electronically by Feb. 1 and an interview at the state event at ISU on Saturday, March 24. Members who are not able to participate in a live interview will be able to pre-record an interview for this event. More information can be found at the Iowa 4-H Recognition site: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/recognition-opportunities>

YOUTH BEEF CONFERENCE

Join us, Saturday, January 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the beautiful Ellsworth Community College Agriculture and Renewable Energy Center, Iowa Falls. "Making the Grade" is the theme this year! Youth will learn what's involved with producing top quality beef from start to finish. Topics covered this year include: Understanding Quality and Yield Grades, Meat Food Safety and Youth Quality Care Assurance (YQCA certification, register at: <https://yqca.learn-grow.io/> Account/Login). Youth will also get to test their knowledge in a beef quiz bowl. You don't have to be a beef project member to come join the fun while learning more about raising and producing beef. Cost is \$10.00 and includes lunch. Contact Jackie for a conference registration form at jackied@iastate.edu or call 641-456-4811.

4-H WORKSHOP EVENT SCHEDULE

4-H workshops, tours, and events are designed to spark an interest in something new! A different event will take place each month at a different location focusing on a different project area. These events are designed to fit into the 30+ 4-H project areas. We want 4-H'ers to try something different and challenge themselves. Who knows, these new skills could turn into 4-H project opportunities for the county fair. Attached is a schedule with the different workshops. These opportunities are currently open to 4th-12th grade 4-H'ers. Be sure to sign up for 1, 2, or all of these events! Pre-registration is required. To register, please contact the Extension office. Please pay close attention to the cost of each workshop and space availability. All workshops are subject to cancellation due to low registrations.

PROGRAM FEE ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance is available from the Iowa 4-H Foundation for 4-H families that need assistance in paying their annual dues. Contact the office to get the form sent to you or go to the site below to download the form. https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/en/funding_opportunities/iowa_4h_program_fee_assistance/

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Iowa 4-H Foundation is pleased to announce the 2017 scholarship programs for Iowa 4-H'ers attending or planning to attend college fall 2018. More than 80 scholarships are available to Iowa 4-H'ers pursuing various fields of study. Applications are available online and are due before or on February 1, 2018. Information, forms, and applications are available: <http://www.iowa4hfoundation.org>

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Happy New Year!

MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING
AND LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CARING ADULTS



DATES TO REMEMBER

January:

- January 1 Happy New Year!-Extension office closed
- January 15 Rustic Jute Twine String Art Workshop from 1-3pm, Extension office
- January 15 Photography Workshop from 4-5:30pm, Schiller Gallery and Framing
- January 16 DuPont Pioneer Seed Grants Due
- January 22 New Member Night from 6:30-8pm, Extension office

February:

- February 1 4-H Recognition Opportunities Due
- February 1 4-H College Scholarships Due
- February 10 Franklin Co. Great Escape Lodge for 9-12 gr. @ Maynes Grove, 10am-2:30pm
- February 20 Hy-Vee Cooking Workshop from 5-6:30pm, HyVee
- February 26 4-H Leader's Mtg. @ 6pm, Extension office

March:

- March 15 Bread Making Workshop from 5-7:30pm, Extension office
- March 17 New Volunteer Training from 9:30am-12:30pm, Franklin Co. Extension

Remember to check us out on Facebook! Like us and check back to see all of our latest happenings and photos.

<https://www.facebook.com/ISUFloydCounty>



Floyd County Fair 2018: July 18-22

Iowa State Fair 2018: August 9-19

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