Greene County 4-H News: February 2019

Swine Weigh In
Saturday, March 9, 2019

**NEW TIME**
8:00am-9:00am at the Greene County Fairgrounds

If you plan to participate in the Rate-of-Gain or Production Class, swine MUST weigh in on March 9th.

Swine participants MUST attend ONE project meeting in order to show:

March 3rd at 4:30pm (Extension Office)— What to look for when buying show pigs with Shaun Reed

Another Project Meeting will be scheduled soon.

There are 3 options on how to get your tags for county fair:

1. Weigh in your pigs on March 9th
2. Pick up your tags during swine weigh in (no pigs need to be present)
3. Attend a Swine Project meeting

Weighing pigs in or picking up tags at weigh in does not count as attending one project meeting.

Annual Greenbrier Basketball Tournament

The Greenbrier 4-H club will be hosting their Annual Greene County 4-H Basketball Tournament on Sunday, March 10th at the Scranton Gym. Each team will need to bring your own basketball, and make sure it is marked with your name. You will play and warm up with your own ball. To register for the tournament & more information, contact Linda Hedges at (515)-386-4740.

Attention ALL Clover Kids

All 1st-3rd Graders: Greene County Clover Kids will have a new look this year. Stay tuned for more information!!

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Trips & Courses

Intermediate 4-H Zoo Trip
Region 12
Who? Current 7th-8th graders
When? March 30-31, 2019
Where? Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha
Cost: $175 (includes airfare)
Use your Greene County 4-H Foundation Scholarship for $50 off making your total for this trip: $125.00
Registration Deadline: March 1, 2019
Space is limited to 50 youth!

The trip includes:
- Mounted Patrol: Learn about all aspects of police work from horseback. We will be able to take a tour of the stable and meet the horses!
- Strategic Air Command & Aerospace Museum: Explore space at the SAC Museum!
- Sleeping in the African Lodge at the Henry Doorly Zoo will be a night you will never forget!
- Pizza Party: Get ready for 18 holes of indoor mini golf with each hole having its unique challenges. The entire course is Pirate themed!
- Bus pickup/dropoff locations: Boreham Parking Lot, Carroll, Extension Office, Audubon, Hy-Vee, Harlan

Yes, sign me up for the Intermediate 4-H Zoo Trip:

Name_________________________Address_________________________
Phone_________________________Email_________________________

Return this portion with $175 (or $125 with scholarship) to Greene County Extension Office by March 1, 2019.

Baby Sitting Basics

A babysitting course for youth in grades 5, 6, 7 & 8th Graders

What: Babysitting Basics Course
When: Wednesday, March 20, 2019
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Where: Greene County Extension, 104 W. Washington, Jefferson, IA
Who: Open to all Greene County youth in 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Graders
Cost: $30.00 for all registrations received by March 5, 2019. ($40 after March 5th if there is still room) The fees for this course are $20.00 will be used to defray direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development and Family County Extension Program. Financial aid is available upon request.

What will I learn?
During your time in Babysitting Basics, you will learn about the responsibilities of a babysitter, what employers expect, ideas to entertain children, how to handle emergencies, first aid, safety pointers, and how to care for children of different ages.

To register, turn in the form below, along with your registration fee, by March 5th, 2019 to:

Iowa State University Extension, Greene County
104 W. Washington St.
Jefferson, IA 50129

Class size is limited, so register early!

Questions? Contact Kaye Wilms, Greene County Youth and 4-H Coordinator, at 515-398-2508 or e-mail kwmclay@iastate.edu

Babysitting Basics Registration Form
Return with $30.00 registration fee ($40 after March 5, 2019 if there is still room)

Please Print
Name: ____________________________ Grade: ______ Age: ______ Gender: Male/Female
Address: ____________________________ City: ______ Zip: ______

Parent Name(s): ______________________ Phone: __________________

Second Contact Person (and phone): ______________________

I give my permission for my child’s image/photo to be used by ISU Extension and Outreach in Greene County for educational or promotional purpuses.

Parent Signature: ______________________

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**Livestock Updates & YQCA**

**Community Lamb Barn**
**Registrations Forms NOW AVAILABLE!**

Are you interested in showing a lamb at the Greene County fair this year but you lack the facilities, financing, or an adult to help you? If so, you should look into **Community Lamb Barn**! Currently enrolled 4-H’ers & FFA Members are invited to apply.

For Registration Form Please go to  https://www.extension.iastate.edu/greene/content/livestock-forms OR stop by the Greene County Extension Office!

For more information, please contact the Extension Office at (515)-386-2138.

**Registrations due April 15th**

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**4-H/FFA Beef**

Make sure to verify ALL Market Beef Weigh-In Information in 4-H Online by **February 1st, 2019**

ALL Other Animals MUST Be Verified by **May 15th, 2019**!

**NEW THIS YEAR**

**Breeding Beef:** ALL Breeding Beef will need **TWO** forms of identification. One **MUST** be a tattoo in one or both ears. Families can choose one of the following options as a second form of identification:

- Registration Number (if a purebred/breed)
- Calfhood Vaccination Number (metal tag)
- Official 4-H Ear Tag

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**2019 Weigh-In Dates**

- **4-H/FFA Swine Weigh-In:** March 9, 2019
- **4-H/FFA Sheep & Goat Weigh-In:** May 4, 2019
- **Rabbit Tattoos and Poultry Testing:** May 4, 2019

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**YQCA Update**

Due to scheduling conflicts, Greene County will be holding ONE Face to Face Training.

**March 26, 2019, 6:00pm-7:00pm**
@ Greene County Extension Office

Greene County is switching to YQCA permanently in 2019.

Changes for 2018-2019 4-H Year: Iowa 4-H is offering a new addition to the FSQA program called YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals). YQCA is an online training program so youth can get certified at home.

YQCA requires all youth to recertify every year.

**Link to YQCA site:** https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login

**Link to YQCA online Help Sheet:** https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/agriculture/YQCA/YQCAWebBasedMemberInstructions.pdf

**Link to YQCA Face to Face Help Sheet (for signing up for the course):** https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/agriculture/YQCA/YQCAInstructorLedMemberInstructions.pdf

**YQCA Online Training** (Cost $12.00 per year, able to complete at home and 4-H’er **MUST** email Kayla a copy of your certificate of completion to be put on file.)

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If you have taken the FSQA test in the past it will be honored until its expiration date.
Project Meetings
Meetings will continue for swine, dog, horse, rabbit, and poultry projects.

**All Swine Exhibitors Must attend ONE Mandatory Informational Meeting. Again This Year:** If you do not plan to attend weigh in, youth will be able to pick up their tags ONLY at one of these meetings.

Meeting Dates & More Information Coming Soon!

2018-2019 Livestock Summary Sheet
Livestock Summary Sheets are available at the Extension office for anyone who needs a copy.

Poultry Update
McMurray hatchery opened up spring ordering! There’s a smaller minimum for picking up your birds. Amanda can also add birds to her order if you only want a couple! Amanda can also order birds from Hoover to be delivered to Bomgaars they have a smaller minimum order!

Greene County Young Leader’s Famous 4-H Beef Burger Supper

**Silent Auction**

All proceeds go to the Greene County 4-H Young Leader’s Programs

**Saturday, March 16th, 2019**

Presbyterian Church
208 West State St.
Jefferson, IA 50129

Free Will Donation

5:00pm - 7:00pm
Silent Auction closes at 6:30 pm

Carry Out Available

Famous 4-H Beef Burger, Chips, Baked Beans, Bars & Drink
Equine Extravaganza  
March 22-34, 2019  
Ellsworth Community College, Iowa Falls  

There are opportunities for both teams and individual competition and learning. Rules and more information can be found at [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/equineextravaganza](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/equineextravaganza)

4-H Senior Workshop  
April 20, 2019  
10:00am-2:00pm  
Agri-Hall; Audubon, IA  

4-H Members in 9th through 12th grades from Audubon, Carroll, Crawford, Greene, Guthrie & Shelby Counties are teaming up to bring the program “Ouch, that Hurts” to you! This program is on stereotype awareness and additionally discuss how to be an effective bystander when confronted with a threatening situation.  
More details to come!

Youth in Animal Agriculture: Excellence in Exhibition  

The Center for Food Security and Public Health at Iowa State University’s College of Veterinary Medicine, in collaboration with the Iowa Department of Public Health and with support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists, has developed an new course for elementary-aged youth involved in animal agriculture to teach them about zoonotic diseases and biosecurity. Additional free resources, including hands-on activity guides, are available on the website.

To learn more visit [www.BlueNotFlu.org](http://www.BlueNotFlu.org)

Dairy Goat Share-A-Kid  

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/](https://www.iowadairygoat.org/share-a-kid-program/) for more details and an application form. Entries must be post-marked by March 15, 2019.
Online Re-Enrollment in 4-H

Online Re-enrollment starts NOW!! Re-enrollment process is ALL ONLINE. Please go to the Iowa 4-H page and you will find the re-enrollment help sheet on the 4hOnline tab under “About 4hOnline.” If you have questions, call the Extension Office during office hours – Monday – Friday 8:00am-4:30pm or e-mail kheyett@iastate.edu. If you need extra help, plan to make an appointment with Extension Staff to enroll online.

The online re-enrollment process AND the re-enrollment fee are The $25.00 late fee: November 16th - May 15th.

No previous or new member can enroll after May 15th!

Step to Follow for Re-Enrollment:

Complete online enrollment information through your family account.

Make sure your enrollment status says “pending” when you are done. If it says “incomplete” you need to go back through and make sure you completed the correct fields.

Bring your $15 Enrollment Fee to the Extension Office. (make checks payable to, “Greene County Extension”)

Extension Staff will change your status to “active” when you complete the online enrollment process.

Members need to complete the online enrollment AND the enrollment fee payment by Monday, November 15th. A late of $25.00 per family will be in place after November 15th-May 15th.

2018-2019 Enrollment Fees

For the past several years, four local donors have given generously to the Greene County 4-H program. Instead of the regular $35 annual enrollment fee, Greene County 4-H’ers pay only $15 per member to be in in 4-H. If you haven’t thanked our donors for helping pay your program fee for the 2018-2019 4-H year, please send thank you notes to the individuals below or consider taking time at your next club meeting to write thank you notes as a group. Tell them how much you gained from 4-H in the last year!


Greene County Environmental Habitat Corporation, c/o Dan Towers, Greene Co. Courthouse, Jefferson, IA 50129

Heartland Co-op of Rippey, c/o Curt Tucker, 403 Percival St, Rippey IA 50235

Hawn Family Farms, c/o Doug Hawn, 650-190th St. E33, Scranton, IA 51462

Scholarships/Financial Aid Assistance

The Greene County 4-H Foundation makes scholarships available each year to all 4-H members who participate in pre-approved 4-H trips, camps, and conferences at any level. Members are able to utilize one scholarship per 4-H year. These scholarships are possible thanks to numerous generous donations, as well as proceeds from the Clover Café. Contact the Extension Office if you would like to utilize a scholarship.

2019 Greene County Fair Theme Announced!

The 2019 Greene County Fair theme is “A Universe of Possibilities”
Greene County STEM To Go Kits

Need an idea for a presentation or want to do a fun activity with your club? Greene County is offering 6 different STEM To Go Kits that are available for youth, leader or community partners to check out and use.

Learn more by calling Greene County Extension Office!

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Does your club meet at the Greene County Extension Office and you have a PowerPoint Presentation?

You can bring your own laptop or Extension staff will set one up for you. Please let the Office know the week before your meeting if you will need our computer.

If you have any questions or want to make sure your computer is compatible, please contact the Extension Office prior to your meeting

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Greene County 4-H Facebook Page

Be sure to like our Facebook page for upcoming events and information! You may ask questions on the Facebook page and Extension Staff will answer as soon as possible.

Partnering with JoAnn Fabric

Customers can get a free 4-H Reward Card that will allow them to receive a 15% discount on their total in-store and online purchases every day. A minimum of 2.5% goes back to 4-H as a donation. 30% of the donation goes to the National 4-H Council and the other 70% goes to the state 4-H program. So this is a win/win situation for everyone. Also during February, customers can purchase a $1 or $4 Valentine’s Day Paper Clover. For those that purchase the $4 clover, they will receive a coupon for $4 off their next purchase. Go to the following website for more information: http://www.joann.com/4-h/

AKSARBEN

Changes for 2019

All AKSARBEN animals will be both identified AND entered for the show through AKSARBEN.

County Extension Offices will no longer handle any paperwork, payment or DNA hair samples/no retinal images

Retinal Images are NO LONGER an option for AKSARBEN animals. ALL Animals will need to be ID’ed separately through AKSARBEN.

If you are interested in showing at AKSARBEN please go to https://www.aksarbenstockshow.com/
Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale Training (ECERS-3)  
Dates Changed Due to Weather  
February 5, 12, 19 & 26  
March 5

Greene County 4-H Seniors!  
Don’t forget to apply for the Greene County 4-H Foundation Scholarship!! Scholarship applications must be turned into the Greene County Extension Office by Friday, February 15, 2019.

Commercial Ag Weed, Insect and Plant Disease Managements  
February 12, 2019  
At Greene County Extension Office  
9:00am-11:00am  
$35

Pre-Register is recommended
February:
1-28 YQCA Online Training Available
1 Market Beef 4-H Online Verification is due by midnight
1 State 4-H Recognition Applications due online by midnight
1 Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarship Applications due online by midnight
24 Young Leaders Meeting 2:00pm @ Extension Meeting Room
26 Youth Development Committee Meeting 6:00pm @ Extension Meeting Room

March:
1-31 YQCA Online Training Available
3 Swine Project Meeting, 4:30pm @ Extension Office w/ Shaun Reed
9 4-H/FFA Swine Weigh-In, 8:00am-9:00am @ Greene County Fairgrounds
10 Greenbrier Basketball Tournament @ Scranton Gym
16 Greene County Young Leaders Beef Burger Supper 5:00pm-7:00pm @ Presbyterian Church
24 Young Leaders Meeting 2:00pm @ Extension Meeting Room
26 YQCA Training 6:00pm-7:00pm @ Extension Office Cost: $3.00

April:
TBA Rabbit & Poultry Organizational Meeting
TBA Dog Project Organizational Meeting
TBA Weekly Dog Meetings
1-30 YQCA Online Training Available
15 Community Lamb Barn Applications Due to the Extension Office
28 Young Leaders Meeting 2:00pm @ Extension Meeting Room

May:
1-30 YQCA Online Training Available
1 Greene County Fair T-shirt Sizes MUST be up to date on 4-HOnline
4 Sheep & Goat Weigh In @ Greene County Fairgrounds
4 4-H & FFA Rabbit Tattooing & Poultry Pullorum Testing @ Greene County Fairgrounds
15 ALL Livestock IDs MUST be entered & verified on 4-HOnline
15 FINAL DAY TO ENROLL IN 4-H
15 Greene County Fair T-shirt sizes MUST be up to date on 4-H Online

June:
TBA Communication Day
15 Greene County Fair Entries Due
25-27 State 4-H Conference

July:
9-15 Greene County Fair