**Greene County 4-H News: March 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
- **March 21, 2019 at 3:00pm (AMVC in Audubon)**
  
  We will meet at 1:45pm at the Extension Office and leave at 2:00pm. Parents interested in attending are welcome!

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.*

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**Annual Greenbrier Basketball Tournament**

The Greenbrier 4-H club will be hosting their **Annual Greene County 4-H Basketball Tournament** on **Sunday, March 10**th **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.

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**2019 Greene County Fair Theme Announced!**

The 2019 Greene County Fair theme is

“A Universe of Possibilities”

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Beef Burger Supper

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

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

This will be our only fundraiser

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Over the last three years, there has been outstanding growth of the Greene County Clover Kids program. Our program has been expanded to teach our young kids the importance of animal care and 4-H static projects. This past fall the Greene County Extension Council and Youth Development Committee developed a simpler structured Clover Kids program for the kids to learn all aspects of animal care and 4-H static projects.

Here is the new structure that has been set by the Youth Development Committee and supported by Extension Council:

**General Information**

- All Clover Kids will be from 1st-3rd grade
- One uniform shirt will be provided for each participant
- Youth will meet three times total: Please see attached meeting dates, time and topics
- It is highly encouraged that all 1st year youth that plan to bring an animal to the fair attend the June meeting.

**Livestock Information**

- Clover Kids MUST tell us what animals they plan to bring to the fair when they sign up on April 1st. There will be NO adding after signing up.
- At the June meeting we will have time slots where Clover Kids can bring their animal to the fairgrounds to practice showmanship.
- Any Clover Kid can come to the June meeting to talk about livestock and learn more. If the Clover Kid is planning on showing at the fair, this is a good practice day.

Please contact one of the Superintendents in your area or myself if you need help finding an animal.

**Livestock Superintendents**

- **Cattle Kids** (Beef): Tiffany Sohm, Jess Christensen & Tressa Rasmussen
- **Birds & Bunnies** (Rabbit & Poultry): Amanda McDonough, Emily Rumley (Poultry) & Brittany Gunn (Rabbits)
- **Goat Kid Club** (Goats): Meredith Fetters
- **Little Lambs** (Sheep): Jeremy Hoskins & Erin Murphy

**Petstock Information**

Dogs must be socialized to show at the fair and to ensure the safety of all participants and dogs. Youth that sign up to bring their dog to the fair must meet with the Dog Superintendents for at least one hour, at a scheduled dog practice or at the Clover Kids animal day in June, to show at the fair. Dates will be available after April 1st.

**Petstock Superintendents**

- **Puppy Pack** (Dog): Rachel Reece, Ashley Kuhl and Samantha Hardway

**Registration Deadline: April 1st, 2019**
Babysitting Basics

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

Brought to you by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach in Greene County

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**What:** Babysitting Basics Course
**When:** Wednesday, March 20, 2019
**Time:** 8:30am to 3:00pm (lunch provided)
**Where:** Greene County Extension, 104 W. Washington, Jefferson, Iowa
**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 service will be used to offset direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development and Families 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 and 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 Kayla Williams, Greene County Youth and 4-H Coordinator, at (615) 386-2138 or e-mail khyett@iastate.edu

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**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: _____ 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 purposes.

Parent Signature: ____________________________________________

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Livestock Updates & YQCA

2019 Weigh-In Dates
4-H/FFA Sheep & Goat Weigh-In: May 4, 2019
Rabbit Tattoos and Poultry Testing: May 4, 2019

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.)

If you have taken the FSQA test in the past it will be honored until its expiration date.

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

4H/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
Livestock Updates

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.

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

March 21, 2019 at 3:00pm (AMVC in Audubon)
**We will meet at 1:45pm at the Extension Office and leave at 2:00pm. Parents interested in attending are welcome!**

**DOG:**
**Informational Meeting:** March 17, 2019 1:30pm at the Greene County Extension Office. (No dogs)

**Outdoor Meetings:** All practices will be in the showring at the Greene County Fair from 6:00-8:00pm

- Monday, April 1st
- Monday, April 8th
- Sunday, April 14th
- Monday, April 22nd
- Sunday, April 29th
- Sunday, May 5th
- Monday, May 6th
- Monday, May 13th
- Sunday, May 26th
- Monday, June 3rd
- Sunday, June 9th
- Monday, June 10th
- Monday, June 24th
- Sunday, June 30th
- Monday, July 1st

**4-H’ers MUST attend 5 practices to be eligible for the fair**

**HORSE, RABBIT & POULTRY DATES:**
To Be Announced

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

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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!

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Shooting Sports Meeting
**SUNDAY, March 24, 2019**

Greene County Shooting Sports is partnering with Boone County Shooting Sports!!

Shooting Sports Club will meet on Thursday, January 17, 2019 from 2:00-4:00pm at Clover Woods in Madrid, IA.

Parents are responsible for transporting their own youth in March due to the instructors attending trainings prior to the club’s meeting.

*Each member and their guardian will need to sign a new waiver.* Families may pick up and sign forms at the Extension Office during office hours.

For more information be contact Kayla @ the Greene County Extension Office!
**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)

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**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!

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**Iowa 4-H Youth Conference 2018**  
It’s not too early to start marking your calendar for the next Iowa 4-H Youth Conference. The dates have been set for June 25-27, 2019.  
**A Universe of Possibilities** is this year’s theme. Conference is open to all Iowa youth who have completed the 8th grade–12th grade.  
**Application Deadline: will open on March 20, 2019 through June 1, 2019.**

More information Coming Soon!  
https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference

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**4-H Animal Science Roundup**  
**Application Deadline April 15**

Get the word out! 20 youth will be selected in each of the following species: Beef, Dairy, Horse, Meat Goat, Poultry, Sheep, and Swine. Roundup is held during the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference on the ISU Campus.  
Application Deadline is April 15.
Iowa Poultry Queen 2019

The Iowa Poultry Queen serves from March to March.

To apply:

Send a resume about yourself and your participation in the poultry industry/events. This may be as many pages as needed to share your experience.

An essay about the Poultry Industry in Iowa. (Minimum 2 pages)

Two 4x6 photos of yourself.

Entries are due March 15th, 2019.

Mail all information to:  Kambrea Davies

2294 Xavier Place
Clarinda, Iowa 51632

Questions can be e-mailed to: davies@myfmtc.com

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/ for more details and an application form. Entries must be postmarked by March 15, 2019.

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 a 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

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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 khyett@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.
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!

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.

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/
ToddlerFest: Looking For Volunteers

Toddler Fest is looking for volunteers of all ages youth to adults. Toddler Fest will be held at the Greene County Community Center on April 6th from 10:00 AM - Noon. We ask that volunteers arrive at 9:00 AM to help set up and learn about the activity they will be working at. The Greene County librarians are in charge of the event and will assign volunteers to an activity.

If one person or a whole club would like to volunteer call Terri Clark at the Jefferson Library 515-386-2835.

Ornamental & Turfgrass: March 6, 2019

At Greene County Extension Office
9:00am-11:30am
$35
Pre-Register is recommended

Regional Crop Fair: March 7, 2019

Coon Rapids American Legion
9:00am-12:00pm
FREE
Partnership with Carroll, Guthrie & Greene County Extension Offices

Private Pesticide Applicators Training
March 12, 2019
At Greene County Extension Office
5:30pm
Registration begins at 4:30pm. Door locks at 5:30pm!!
$20
Pre-Register is recommended

Certified Handlers: March 13, 2019

At Greene County Extension Office
9:00am-11:30am
$35
Pre-Register is recommended

Ag Coffee: Securing Your Farm Property
March 29, 2019
No Registration Required
At Greene County Extension Office
9:30am-11:00am
Join Us for coffee and conversation as ISU Extension & Outreach Ag Engineer, Shawn Shouse, Greene County Sheriff, Jack Williams and owner of TechZone, Bob Smith will lead the discussion on Securing Your Farm Property
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
17 Dog Project Organizational Meeting
20 Babysitting Basics 8:30am-3:00pm @ Greene County Extension Office
24 Young Leaders Meeting 2:00pm @ Extension Meeting Room
24 Shooting Sports 2:00pm-4:00pm @ Clover Woods, Madrid, IA
26 YQCA Training 6:00pm-7:00pm @ Extension Office Cost: $3.00

April:
TBA Rabbit & Poultry Organizational Meeting
1-30 YQCA Online Training Available
1 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
8 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
14 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
15 Community Lamb Barn Applications Due to the Extension Office
15 State Conference– Animal Science Roundup Deadline
20 4-H Senior Workshop 10:00am-2:00pm @ Agri-Hall, Audubon, IA
22 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
28 Young Leaders Meeting 2:00pm @ Extension Meeting Room
28 Shooting Sports 2:30pm-4:30pm @ Clover Woods, Madrid, IA
28 Greene County Clover Kids– STEM Day 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds Old Bus Barn
29 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring

May:
1-30 YQCA Online Training Available
1 Greene County Fair T-shirt Sizes MUST be up to date on 4-H Online
4 Sheep & Goat Weigh In @ Greene County Fairgrounds
4 4-H & FFA Rabbit Tattooing & Poultry Pullorum Testing @ Greene County Fairgrounds
5 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
6 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
13 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
15 ALL Livestock IDs MUST be entered & verified on 4-H Online
15 FINAL DAY TO ENROLL IN 4-H
15 Greene County Fair T-shirt sizes MUST be up to date on 4-H Online
18 Shooting Sports 2:30pm-4:30pm @ Clover Woods, Madrid, IA
19 Greene County Clover Kids– Static Day 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds Old Bus Barn
26 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring

June:
TBA Communication Day
3 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
9 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
10 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
15 Greene County Fair Entries Due
23 Shooting Sports 2:30pm-4:30pm @ Clover Woods, Madrid, IA
24 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring
25-27 State 4-H Conference
29 Greene County Clover Kids– Animal Day Time TBD @ Greene County Fairgrounds Showring
30 Outdoor Dog Project Meeting 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Greene County Fairgrounds– Showring