We are excited to announce that we have another new face at the Extension Office!

Brenna Westergaard will be starting May 19th as a Summer Program Assistant. She is currently attending Iowa State majoring in Agricultural Education. Brenna is a 2013 graduate of Adair-Casey High School and was a member of the Grant Sky Eagles.

Brenna and Emily will be helping with Day Camps and the various workshops that we will be working on this summer along with other fun fair activities.

Save the Dates!

More information on the workshops is inside!

The 4hOnline system will lock at 11:59 pm on May 15th!

May 22nd the Fairboard will be hosting another Thursday Therapy Supper to raise funds to finish the NEW Community Building!

Let Mollie know if you or your club is interested in helping with this! They will be serving grilled, marinated pork loin and yummy fixings.

May
2 Pinterest Party, 5:30 - 8:00 pm, Extension Office
5 Youth Committee Meeting, 7 pm
6 & 7 Safety Day for Third Graders
8 Poultry Workshop, 6 pm, Community Building, Fairgrounds
8 Horse Halter Workshop, 6 pm, Horse Arena, Fairgrounds
8 Rabbit Workshop, 7 pm, Community Building, Fairgrounds
15 Livestock IDs due for all animals in 4hOnline
17 Beef Workshop, 1 - 3 pm, Horse Arena, Fairgrounds
31 Horse Workshop - Pleasure Riding, 6 pm, Horse Arena, Fairgrounds

June
2 Youth Committee Meeting, 7 pm
3 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Extension Office
8-12 SW Iowa 5th & 6th Grade Camp
10 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Fairgrounds
12 Horse Workshop - Trail Class, 6 pm, Horse Arena, Fairgrounds
15 Ak-Sar-Ben DNA Deadline,
17 Fairy Garden Workshop, 1 - 3:30 pm, Extension Office
17 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Fairgrounds
20 Photography Workshop, 10 am—12 pm, Springbrook
24-26 State 4-H Conference - Ticket to Success
24 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Fairgrounds
25 Swine Workshop, 6 pm, Community Building, Fairgrounds
28 Horse Workshop, 6 pm, Horse Arena, Fairgrounds

July
1 State Fair Livestock Entries due in 4hOnline
1 Clothing Event, 1 pm, The New Homestead, Guthrie Center
1 Style Show and Share-The-Fun, 7 pm, The New Homestead, Guthrie Center
1 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Fairgrounds
7 Youth Committee Meeting, 7 pm
8 Are you ready for Judging Day?, 6 pm, Extension Office
8 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Fairgrounds
10 Horse Workshop - Timed Events, 6 pm, Horse Arena, Fairgrounds
14 Static Judging Day, 1-5 pm, Community Building, Fairgrounds
14 Communications Day, 1-3 pm, Community Building, Fairgrounds
15 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Fairgrounds
22 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Fairgrounds
29 Dog Obedience Class, 7 pm, Fairgrounds
MISSION STATEMENT
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**Dog Obedience Class**

Pat Wyatt will be offering dog obedience classes once again this year. Classes meet weekly beginning June 3 (no dogs), at 7:00 pm at the Extension Office. The remainder of the classes will be at the Guthrie County Fairgrounds with dogs. The last class will be on August 19 if there are no cancellations.

Topics covered will be commands, heel, sit, stand for examination, etc.

Pat has many years of experience judging and training dogs. 4-H'ers must also ID your dog in 4honline by May 15 or fill out the DOG ID form 4H106 in order to show at the fair. Youth intending on exhibiting in the Dog Show at the Guthrie County Fair MUST participate in these classes.

Registration fee is $15 per dog for youth and $25 per dog for adults. Registration forms can be found at [www.extension.iastate.edu/guthrie](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/guthrie). Youth are not required to be in 4-H. Dogs must be at least five months old. Please pre-register by Friday, May 31.

Please bring rabies and distemper certificate to the first class. Please call 641-747-2276 with questions.

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**Poultry Workshop, May 8th at 6 pm at the Community Building, Fairgrounds**

Poultry facts, showmanship tips and nutrition are just a few of the topics being discussed at the Poultry Workshop. If you are interested in learning some helpful information and tips, come join Emily Seidl on May 8th at 6 pm at the Community Building, Fairgrounds. RSVP by May 6 to the Extension Office.

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**Rabbit Workshop, May 8th at 7 pm at the Community Building, Fairgrounds**

We will have a rabbit breeder to discuss rabbit facts and helpful hints on meat pens. We will have live rabbits to look at and learn from. Come for a hands-on rabbit education. RSVP by May 6 to the Extension Office.

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**Beef Workshop, May 17th at 1 pm at the Horse Arena, Fairgrounds**

Come and join Clayton Wilkerson and learn all the tips and tricks he has learned with fitting calves. He will also be discussing nutrition and any other questions you might have. RSVP by May 9th to the Extension Office.

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**Fairy Garden Workshop, June 17 from 1—3:30 pm, Extension Office**

Have you always wanted to make a fairy garden but don’t know how? Come join Karwyn Gibson and learn about what it takes to create your own fairy garden. There is a cost of $10 and you will need to bring your own container, soil and anything else that you want to add. We will provide each participant with 3 plants and one bench or arbor. Limited to 10 participants. RSVP by June 6.

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**Photography Workshop, June 20, 10 am to 12 pm, Springbrook (Extension Office if inclement weather)**

Want to learn more about photography? We will explore photography learning about natural lighting and elements of composition. ANY camera will be good for this workshop. Join Donna Owen in this hands on workshop. RSVP to the Extension Office by June 13th.

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**Swine Workshop, June 25, 6 pm, Fairgrounds**

Come and join Jim Gibson in a hands on workshop about pigs! Bring your questions with you! RSVP to the Extension Office by June 20th.
**4-H Cook This!**

**Preliminary Competition**
The 4-H Cook This! Culinary Challenge will hold a preliminary competition on the ISU campus on Wednesday, June 18. The preliminary is for all youth participants in grades 5-12. The event will consist of a culinary, communication, and food and nutrition challenge to test participant’s food and nutrition knowledge and to see if they can Cook This! Top teams from each age division will then be selected to compete in the finale on Thursday, August 7 at the Iowa State Fair.

Applications will open for the event next week on the 4-H Cook This! webpage: [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/cookthis](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/cookthis). Applications will close on Monday May 30, 2014. For more information, please contact: Cayla Taylor, [cayla@iastate.edu](mailto:cayla@iastate.edu)

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**4-H’ers for 4-H Campaign**
The State 4-H Council is once again sponsoring the 4-H’ers for 4-H Campaign. State Council is asking for a minimum of $2.50 per member again this year. Clubs can mail payment directly to the Iowa 4-H Foundation or drop it off at the Extension Office. Information can be found at [www.iowa4hfoundation.org](http://www.iowa4hfoundation.org) or at the Extension Office.

Why support this campaign? About one-third of the funds support the State 4-H Council program, which in turn provides the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference experience to 8-12th grade 4-H’ers. Almost half of the funds are distributed back to the 4-H members in the counties in the form of scholarships for out-of-county 4-H experiences and financial assistance to help cover program development fees.

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**Iowa 4-H Youth Conference**
Every June, over 1000 teenagers converge on the campus of Iowa State University for 3 days full of speakers, workshops, mixers, dances, a banquet, and community service activities.

If you’ve completed 8th grade, you’re eligible to attend. You don’t even have to be in 4-H to attend this conference! You will get to experience campus life, and meet new people from across the state! You will be having fun while learning by doing, dancing the nights away, and serving the community. You will get to learn new things to take back to your community and school, and in the process you might even discover something new about yourself! There are 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 have a specific interest in animal science, you might want to look into becoming part of the ROUND-UP track! We’ll also have a special track devoted to agronomy, called CSI: Crops.

If you’d like to be part of the team to capture the Conference in photos, join our Iowa 4-H Youth Camra Corps by signing up for workshops T-40, W-40, and R-40 and bring your camera. We’re doing things a little differently this year and you’ll get to learn photo skills and put them to work through the workshop series.

Please join us in June for the most incredible three days of your life at the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference!
For more information, check out: [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference)

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**Southwest 5th & 6th Grade Junior Camp**
Take a ride on the "WILD" side and mark on your calendars to attend **Area 4-H 5th & 6th Grade Junior Camp for Regions 12, 17 & 18**, June 8-11 at the Iowa 4-H Camping Center near Madrid, Iowa. Experience the adventure and excitement of four days filled with 4-H camp traditions and favorite activities, including nature hikes, creek stomping, wall climbing, canoeing, camp songs, swimming, outdoor camping basics, and campfires! Learn to create cool crafts that work great as 4-H working exhibits. Bring a friend with you or make new ones! Camp will run from Sunday, June 8 at 3 p.m. until our closing ceremony starting at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 11.

4-H camps are open to ALL YOUTH – membership in a 4-H club is not a requirement – so bring a friend to share the experience! Area 4-H Junior camp is open to all Region 12, 17 & 18 youth who have completed grades 5 and 6 and will be held in Hickory Village. The camp will be filled at 80 youth, so you will want to register early before it fills up. Registration, Parental Permission and Request for Providing Medication at a 4-H Event form (if your camper will be bringing any medications with them) are available from the county extension office or downloaded from [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/harrison/news/2014-5th-6th-grade-4-h-junior-camp](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/harrison/news/2014-5th-6th-grade-4-h-junior-camp) in Microsoft Word and Adobe PDF format. We will be using your medical form filled out at the beginning of the 4-H year during your online 4-H member registration process and provided to us by your county extension office. Please make sure you have it updated if needed. If you are not a current 4-H’er, you will need to fill out a Medical Info form found also at the Jr. Camp website above or from your ISU County Extension Office. Registration Deadline is May 23. Cost for the four day camp will be $185.00. Check with your County Extension office as most counties have camp scholarships for 4-H’ers or financial help if needed. Please contact David Seilstad, phone: 712/644-2105 or email: [seilstad@iastate.edu](mailto:seilstad@iastate.edu) if you have any questions on this camp or others offered at the Iowa 4-H Camping center: [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hcenter/summercamp/index.php](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hcenter/summercamp/index.php)

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