December 2017

The Extension Office would like to wish each of you a happy and safe holiday season!

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We are geared up for winter with a line of winter workshops! There was a typo in my recent email about workshops. The Cake Decorating Workshop is $5 NOT $50 like originally stated!

Also, there were a few things that were missed with Awards Day. Bo Arrasmith and Keely Vasey received project awards but were inadvertently left off! The Wichita Wildcats received the Horse, Rabbit and Sheep Herdsmanship awards and the US Sunbeams received the Poultry Herdsmanship awards.

Janae’s last day at the Extension Office will be December 18th. She has taken a job with People’s Trust & Savings Bank as a Loan Administrator. We are sad to see her leave but happy for her to have this opportunity to move forward.

Mollie Clark

December

2  Officer Training, 9:30—11:00 am, Extension Office
4  Youth Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm
8  Ricchet, Open to youth in 6-8th grade, 6:30—9:00 pm, Extension Office
9  Advise Senior Group, Open to youth in 9-12th grade, 6:30—9:00 pm, Extension Office
16 Beginning Welding Workshop, 10 am—noon, Kastner’s Welding, Bagley
22-26 Office Closed for Holiday
27 Hibernation, Migration and Adaptation Day Camp, 10 am—2 pm, Guthrie Center Elementary
27 Rabbit Hopping, 2 pm, Panora Nursing Home
28 Photography Workshop, 2-4 pm, Springbrook State Park Shelter House
29 Coding Class, Timing is dependent on what works for you! Contact Mollie for more questions.

January

1  Office Closed for Holiday
6  Beef Weigh-In, Laughery Auction, 9:30 am—Noon
8  Youth Committee, 7 pm
13 **Snow Date for Beef Weigh-in**
13 Woodcarving Class, Conference Center, Lake Panorama
20 Woodcarving Class Continued, Conference Center, Lake Panorama
21 Cake Decorating Workshop, 2 pm, Yale Community Building
27 Woodcarving Class Continued, Conference Center, Lake Panorama
Club and Member Information

**STATE 4-H AWARDS**
Did you know that you can expand your 4-H career past Guthrie County? If you are in grades nine through twelve, there are many opportunities available to you for recognition awards or to represent Guthrie County. These include National 4-H Conference, National 4-H Congress, State 4-H Council, and State 4-H Project Awards.

For more information, go to http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/recognition-opportunities.

**SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**
Over 90 scholarship opportunities valued at over $90,000 will be awarded. The various scholarship awards range in amounts from $500 to $10,000. Certain scholarships are open to students pursuing any field of study, while others are open to students pursuing degrees in agriculture, food and nutrition, ag business, animal science, journalism and STEM related studies. Former and current 4-H members graduating from high school or currently attending college are eligible applicants.

While a majority of the 4-H scholarship opportunities are available for students attending Iowa State University, scholarships are also available to students planning to attend an Iowa Regent University, Iowa private college, Iowa community college, or any land-grant university.

To review the list of scholarships and the respective criteria, click HERE. Every graduating 4-H’er in the state of Iowa should apply. Please note, that 4-H scholarships will require a letter of recommendation from the local Extension staff. Applications, including letters of recommendation, will close at 11:59 p.m. on February 1, 2018.

**FOUNDATION NEWS**
The Guthrie County 4-H Foundation Committee has a few different things to offer to Guthrie County 4-Hers, groups and clubs.

Guthrie County seniors and those currently in college can apply for one of the $500 scholarships. The application can be found on our webpage or here.

Clubs, individuals and/or groups can apply for matching project grants through the foundation. The application can be found on our website.

With the end of the year rolling around, some of you may be thinking about tax deductible contributions to 4-H. Contact Mollie for more information. *Fees do apply.

All applications and materials must be submitted via electronic submission in JotForm-Pro by 11:59 PM on February 1, 2018. Each application has a date/time stamp and those received after midnight will not be considered.

**LEADER AWARDS**
The Successful Farming/Loren Kruse Outstanding Iowa 4-H Leader award is presented each year to an adult volunteer who has encouraged, challenged, inspired Iowa 4-H members to achieve their full potential. Nomination forms are now available through Iowa 4-H Foundation and are due February 1, 2018.
4-H PLEDGE

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Workshops, Day Camps, Clinics and More!

Beginning Welding Workshop—December 16th
10 am—noon at Frank Kastner’s Welding Shop, Bagley
Participants will make the tree pictured just in time for Christmas. This would make a great Christmas gift!
Workshop will be hosted by Gage Buttler, Trey Derry, Ruby Hummel and Lauren Kennedy.
Email Mollie at clarkm@iastate.edu by December 13th to register

Hibernation, Migration and Adaptations Day Camp—December 27th
10 am—noon at Guthrie Center Elementary
How do animals stay warm during winter? Where do they find their food? We will learn how the animals prepare for winter but also how early settlers managed to prepare for the changing weather. We will be using the outdoor classroom half of the time so please dress appropriately. $8 for the day. Contact Mollie to register by December 21st.

Rabbit Hopping Workshop—December 27th
2 pm at Panora Nursing Home
This is an opportunity to learn more about rabbit hopping. Even if you don’t have a rabbit come and learn the tips and tricks behind it.

Photography Workshop – December 28th
2-4 pm at Springbrook’s Shelter on top of the hill
This workshop will be set up like the Iowa State Fair Camera Corp where youth will go out and take photos and then have them judged while getting ideas on how to fill out the writeups for STATIC Judging Day. Email Mollie by December 27th.

Coding Classes - December 29th
Learn how to code and what that means. The possibilities you can create are endless! This will be a fun hands-on workshop! The instructor is flexible with his time so if you are interested in attending let Mollie know what works with your schedule so we can get a class formed!

Wood Carving Classes—January 13, 20, 27 and possibly February 3
Conference Center, Lake Panorama
Instructor Tom Jesche will teach basics of knife safety and use. Start with a great beginner project then move on to a wood project with step by step instructions. Cost of $75 (includes tools to keep and materials needed for projects). Class size is limited to 8. Sign up deadline is December 11th. Contact Donna Owen for questions and registration—515-491-8370

All of the workshops are open to non 4-H’ers in 4th—12th grades!
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Cake Decorating Workshop—January 21st
2 pm at Yale Community Building
Participants will learn tips and tricks to cake decorating. $5 fee with a maximum of 10 youth.
Email Mollie at clarkm@iastate.edu by January 18th to register

RC Car Workshop—February 10th
1—3 pm at Jet Outdoors, 1407 Radiant Rd. Carroll
We will be running RC cars on their track. Bring a car if you have one and it doesn’t have to be anything fancy. You’ll learn more about your car, modifications you can make and how those will affect the outcome. There is no charge and no limit to how many can attend.
This workshop is hosted by Trey Derry and Jalen Michaelson.

Upcoming dates! Mark your calendars now!
February 1st—all state project awards and scholarships due
February 15th—FSQA
February 19th—FSQA
February 28th—Guthrie County 4-H Foundation scholarships due
May 1st—FSQA must be completed to show at county or state fair
May 15th—ALL animals need to be identified in 4hOnline by May 15th to be eligible to show at county or state fair.
July 10th—ALL STATIC, Clothing and Communication exhibits need to be entered into FairEntry
July 16th—STATIC Judging Day
July 18th—Clothing and Communications Day—Share the Fun in the evening
August 1st— ALL Livestock and Small Animal entries need to be made in FairEntry

WANT TO KNOW MORE?
FIND US AT: EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/4H//GUTHRIE
FSQA—Food Safety and Quality Assurance

Who needs to certify? ALL 4-H and FFA members exhibiting beef, dairy, goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep and swine at the Guthrie County Fair, Iowa State Fair and AKSARBEN must be certified.

- Youth in grades 4-6 must attend an hour and a half certification program every year to be FSQA certified.
- Youth in grades 7-9 will have the option of attending a training every year, or completing a test which will certify them until they reach the 10th grade.
- Youth in grades 10-12 will have the option of attending a training every year, or completing a test which will certify them until they turn 20.

ALL training and testing must be completed by May 1st. If you are unable to make either of our county trainings, contact Mollie to find out FSQA dates in surrounding counties.

If you are not certain if you need to test, you can check your information in 4hOnline.

FSQA Trainings:
- Thursday, February 15th—6:30—8:00 p.m.
- Monday, February 19th—10:00—11:30 a.m.

Both trainings will be held at the Community Building at the Guthrie County Fairgrounds. Testing will be at the Extension Office.

FSQA Testing:
- Thursday, February 15th—3:00—4:30 p.m.
- Monday, February 19th—1:00—4:30 p.m.

For those that are not able to attend our county or another counties FSQA, there is an option to take Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). YQCA self paced course consisting of different online modules to complete. YQCA will start to be required for some larger shows for 2018 such as World Pork Expo. There is a $12 annual fee which is paid directly to YQCA. For more information, contact Mollie.

Beef Weigh—in Information

Beef Weigh-in will be Saturday January 6, 2018, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Guthrie Livestock Auction. All market beef need to be weighed and verified for county fair, State Fair and/or Ak-Sar-Ben.

County Requirements: Pay $2 for ear tags.

4-H State Fair Requirements: Retinal imaging—Cost is $5/head plus ear tag fee.

4-H AKSARBEN Requirements: AKSARBEN will allow retinal images! AKSARBEN only animals will be $5/head.

Out of County Weigh-ins—It is REQUIRED that you contact the county you’ll be attending and contact Mollie. Each county handles out of county animals differently.
- Dec 9—Dallas County
- Dec 9—Shelby County
- Dec 10—Greene County
- Dec 16—Carroll County
- Dec 23—Crawford County
- Dec 27—Adair County

MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING
AND LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CARING ADULTS
2017 Award Recipients

Club & Project Awards Winners


Dodge Dodgers—Beef Herdsmanship


Northbranch Beavers—Bo Arrasmith (Junior) Sheep; Keely Vasey (Senior) Horse, Sheep.

Seely Bobcats

S.E.S.S. Rangefinders — Banner Club; Abby Brooks (Intermediate) Poultry, Rabbit, Clothing, Sewing; Michelle Brooks (Junior) Woodworking, Pets, Sewing, Poultry, Rabbit, Visual Art; Trever Derry (Junior) Woodworking, Meat Goat, Veterinary Science; Trey Derry (Senior) Mechanics, Poultry, Shooting Sports, Photography, Meat Goat; Sally Jo Geckler (Senior) Meat Goat, Rabbit; Anna Owen (Intermediate) Rabbit; Maxwell Owen (Junior) Communication, Dog, Photography, Pet, Horticulture; Parker Owen (Senior) Communication.

U.S. Sunbeams — Poultry Herdsmanship; Lydia Knapp (Senior) Poultry; Madeline Knapp (Senior) Food and Nutrition; Kiersten Knobbe (Junior) Citizenship, Consumer Management, Horticulture, Home Improvement; Rylee Sloss (Intermediate) Clothing.

Wichita Wildcats — Horse Herdsmanship, Rabbit Herdsmanship; Sheep Herdsmanship; Riley Gibson (Junior) Swine, Self Determined; James Hodges (Intermediate) Secretary’s Book, Visual Arts, Swine; Samara Hoeft (Senior) Pet, Visual Arts; Ava Mills (Junior) Food & Nutrition; Kael Rutledge (Intermediate) Sewing

Most Improved Member

Molly Simmons — Cass Pioneers
Justin Davis — Grant Sky Eagles
Bo Arrasmith — Northbranch Beavers
Sally Jo Geckler — S.E.S.S Rangefinders
Natalie Donovan — U.S Sunbeams
Sarah Westergaard — Wichita Wildcats

Adult Awards

Honorary 4-H Member—Kelly Hummel
Friends of 4-H—Butler Agronomy Services
Alumni Award—Frank Kastner

Award of the Clover
Karwyn Gibson - 5 years—Wichita Wildcats

Hard Luck Story
Sawyer Simmons

Junior Specialty Awards

Junior Award of Achievement—Trever Derry
Outstanding Junior—Keirsten Knobbe & Wyatt Rudy

I Dare You Award
Paul Hansen

Intermediate Specialty Awards

Intermediate Award of Achievement—Ruby Hummel
Bob Elgin Outstanding Intermediate—Rylee Sloss

Senior Specialty Awards

People’s Bank Leadership Award—Molly Simmons
Shubel Owen
Communication Award—Parker Owen
James Leo Community Service Award—Anna Lauritsen
Senior Award of Achievement—Parker Owen
Outstanding Senior—Molly Simmons

Visit the Guthrie County 4-H Shutterfly Account for all of the photos from Awards night.

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