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**Hancock County**

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4-H friends and families,

2022 is quickly coming to a close. Thank you to those who participated in programs and workshops over the past year! We served over 1,300 youth in our summer workshops and we are having a great time learning about engineering in Clover Kids each month. We enjoy learning, doing, and creating with your families.

As we start 2023 please note that multiple job opportunities are currently open at our office. We are hiring a full time Youth Outreach Coordinator as well as 2 temporary summer intern positions. Please share with others who might be interested or consider applying yourself to join our team in creating awesome educational opportunities for youth.

We are excited to start the year with bringing Makerspace back for 4th-5th graders! Back by popular demand is our local talent, Missy Huling to lead a painting workshop in February. Parents are welcome to sign up and paint their own project, stay paint a wooden board with your child, or drop them off and pick them up when we finish.

We hope you got your market steers and heifers to weigh-in in December. If not, a reminder that you need to contact our office to get to another county! All ID's must be entered **by families** in 4-H Online by February 1! Sheep exhibitors; we are bringing back the Lotto Lamb opportunity again this year. Pick out your lamb the day of weigh-in, and show in a class just for you.

Lastly, but certainly not least, please thank your 4-H leader or coach for their time and efforts put into making your club great! Celebrate your successes with your 4-H peers and take time to pass along your skills to younger club members! Build relationships and invest in the lives of the people around you! You won't regret it!

Hancock County Extension Staff

Kristy and Victoria



**RETURNING IN MARCH 2023:**

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24TH**

**5:30-8:00 PM**

**@GHV ELEMENTARY**



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# CALENDAR

## January - February

January 8	Northwest Chargers club mtg.	Woden Community Center	2:00 pm
January 8	Concord Challengers club mtg.	TBD	6:00 pm
January 9	Elcon Indians club mtg.	Extension Office	7:00 pm
January 11	Valiant Vikings club mtg.	Leader house	3:30 pm
January 16	WH 2nd-3rd Clover Kids	WH Elementary	3:30 pm
January 17	GHV 2nd-3rd Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 pm
January 17	Garfield Sluggers club mtg.	Duncan Hall	6:00 pm
January 22	Orthel Jolly Workers club mtg.	TBD	2:00 pm
January 23	WH 2nd - 3rd Clover Kids	WH Elementary	3:30 pm
January 24	GHV 1st Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 pm
January 22	BullsEye Bunch club mtg.	Central Iowa Impact	3:00 pm
January 31	GHV Kindergarten Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 pm
February 5	Orthel Jolly Workers club mtg.	Extension Office	1:00 pm
February 5	Concord Challengers club mtg.	Extension Office	6:00 pm
February 6	WH K-1st Clover Kids	WH Elementary	3:30 pm
February 6	Elcon Indians club mtg.	Extension Office	7:00 pm
February 8	BullsEye Bunch club mtg.	Extension Office	2:00 pm
February 11	Britt Broncos club mtg.	Britt Municipal Building	9:30 am
February 12	Northwest Chargers club mtg.	Woden Community Center	2:00 pm
February 14	GHV 2nd - 3rd Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 pm
February 14	Valiant Vikings club mtg.	Leader house	3:30 pm
February 20	WH K-1st Clover Kids	WH Elementary	3:30 pm
February 21	GHV 2nd Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 pm
February 21	Garfield Sluggers club mtg.	Duncan Hall	6:00 pm
February 27	Painting Workshop	Britt Municipal Building	6:00 pm
February 28	GHV Kindergarten Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 pm
July 25 - 31	Hancock County District Fair		

## HIRING 2 SUMMER INTERNS!!

Part time-temporary positions with flexible work time up to 30 hours per week. Assist with planning and implementation of the Hancock County Extension 4-H program and office clerical work. Must enjoy working with youth and have strong organizational and computer skills. Knowledge of ISU Extension and 4-H helpful.

Some responsibilities include planning and implementing summer camps/workshops and preparation and implementation of county fair. Some qualifications include

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interest in working with youth, access to transportation and a valid driver's license, and must pass child protection safety screening process.

Additional information and application can be obtained from Hancock County Extension Office, 327 West 8th Street, Garner, IA 50438 or our website [www.extension.iastate.edu/hancock](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/hancock). Questions should be directed to Kristy at [kristyb@iastate.edu](mailto:kristyb@iastate.edu) or 641-923-2856.

Applications accepted until January 31, 2023.

## WANT TO KNOW MORE?

FIND US AT: [EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/HANCOCK](http://EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/HANCOCK)

# COMPETE FOR AWARD TRIPS OR PROJECT AWARDS

High school aged 4-Hers have many opportunities for them beyond the county level. Take advantage of the opportunity to learn how to teach leadership and teambuilding skills, spend a week in our nation's capitol, plan a conference just for your peers, or get recognized for the work you have done in your project area.

- National 4-H Conference - Trip to Washington D.C.
- National 4-H Congress - Trip to Atlanta, GA
- State 4-H Council - Plan Iowa's 4-H Conference
- State Project Awards - Be recognized for your accomplishments in your project area.
- Iowa 4-H Reporter Program - learn from media mentors at IPTV, WHO radio, and Iowa Newspaper Association and do two days of coverage at the Iowa State Fair.



Opportunities require a written application and an interview (in person and virtual options available).

Your electronic application is due no later than 11:59 pm February 1, 2023. Application and additional information can be found at [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/recognition-opportunities](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/recognition-opportunities)

This is a great opportunity to be recognized for your project accomplishments or to participate in the leadership trips across the country with fellow Iowa 4-Hers. Take advantage today!



## BEEF ID REMINDERS

This year families will be **required** to enter **ALL** 4-H beef data into 4-H Online 2.0: <https://v2.4honline.com>

All market beef **MUST** be entered by February 1. Breeding beef must be entered by May 15th. County 4-H Staff will review the weigh-in data for accuracy. Ultimate animal data accuracy rests with each 4-H family.

## MAKERSPACE CLUB

**Who:** 4th -5th grade

**What:** Explore power tools, 3D pens, coding, needle arts, and much more. All things STEM and craft related.

## \$100,000 IN 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Iowa 4-H Foundation announces the 2023 scholarship programs for 4-Hers attending or planning to attend college fall 2023. Even current college students are eligible for 4-H scholarships. Over 90 scholarship programs totaling more than \$100,000 will be awarded to 4-Hers across the state.



State Level 4-H scholarship is a very extensive process. A bonus of the 4-H scholarship is the information I provided made me eligible for numerous different scholarships, all different amounts. It was the toughest scholarship I applied for but in the end one of the most rewarding ones I received."

The various awards range in amounts from \$250 to \$5,000. Some of the 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, and journalism.

Former Iowa 4-Hers and current 4-Hers graduating from high school are eligible applicants.

When asked about her scholarship experience a past Hancock County 4-Her says, "Applying for a

Applicants must enroll as a full-time student (minimum of 12 credit hours) to receive scholarship awards. Only ONE application form is needed for all Iowa 4-H scholarships. 4-H Scholarship information (can be sorted by school or degree), forms, and applications are available on the 4-H web page:

[www.iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships)

Applications must be submitted online no later than 11:59 pm March 1, 2023 for consideration. Applications require two letters of recommendation so be sure to ask those people before the due date so they have time to complete those for you.



**When:** Fridays, afterschool, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Jan. 20 - March 3

**Where:** Hancock County Extension Office

To sign up, check flyers in backpacks from school or visit our website at [extension.iastate.edu/hancock](http://extension.iastate.edu/hancock).

**Registration Fee:** \$10  
**Deadline to register is Monday, January 9th.** Space is limited!

Please email [xhancock@iastate.edu](mailto:xhancock@iastate.edu) or call 641-923-2856 with questions.



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# LOTTO LAMB CLASS



Want to show a lamb at the fair? Not quite sure where to start? Check out our Lotto Lamb opportunity.

What is this class? This class is an excellent way for you to get started in sheep, or a way to work with a quality show lamb. The lambs will be purchased from a reputable breeder by your sheep superintendents, who you will then purchase the lambs from.

You can purchase up to two lambs. Down payment is \$75 and price for the lambs will be determined by the market value at time of purchase.

The Process: On weigh-in day in April, we will draw the order to pick up the lambs. If you are interested in participating in the Lotto Lamb project please email or call us at [xhancock@iastate.edu](mailto:xhancock@iastate.edu) or 641-923-2856.



This season we were so excited to have **FIVE** junior FLL Explore teams for K-3rd graders. With 3 new volunteers and 7 returning volunteers we had a tremendous year! The teams were able to highlight what they had been learning and working on at our local FLL showcase on November 20th.

Each team was able to learn how to code robots, how to work together, and all about energy generation, energy storage, and energy consumption.



New team *Tower Winds* showed off all their learning, building, and programming at the Hancock County LEGO League showcase.



Members from *LEGO Crafters* build the model to learn about energy usage.

*Every Bot is Awesome* returned for a second year of FLL Explore and made time for great field trips to explore energy in real life.



LEGO Dragon Legends (left) and Team Discovery (right) learned all about how to program computer code to get the motor to turn different directions, speeds, and numbers of rotations.





## 4th-8th LEGO LEAGUE CHALLENGE

We were excited to have **THREE** FLL Challenge teams for 4th-8th grade this year. The theme for the Lego League season was Energy. Teams work on four categories:

- Robot design - how the team built the robot
- Robot game - programming the robot to complete challenges
- Innovation project - solve this year's challenge to generate energy, store energy, and reduce energy consumption.
- Core values - learn to work together to be a team who is inclusive and makes an impact.

They were able to compete at regional competitions this year and we are so proud of them. Our teams have grown in number of participants this year and we are so excited to see so many younger kids participating on the teams!



Team Phunk shared with the judges their innovation project to generate energy for the school with their invented wind turbine/solar panel combo system.



Superpower Squad showed off their missions at our Hancock County LEGO Showcase on November 20th. Congratulations to their coaches who won the mentor/coach award at regionals!



Chaotic Energizers won the Core Values award at regionals for their teamwork and the way they interacted with other teams! They will be competing at state on January 28.

## PAINTING WORKSHOP



**Who:** K-12th graders. Optional: Parents are welcome to sign up to paint their own or paint with their child.

**What:** Paint a fun negative space design or pattern on a wooden board.

**Cost:** \$20 per project

**When:** Monday, February 27th, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Where:** Britt Municipal Building

**Sign Up:** Registration deadline is Monday, February 13th. Watch for flyers to come home from school or download registration and flyer from our website [extension.iastate.edu/hancock](https://extension.iastate.edu/hancock).



### 4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE, MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.

## OMAHA ZOO OVERNIGHT



**When:** All day Friday – all day Saturday, April 21-22

**What:** Sleep with the animals and explore at the zoo.

**Where:** Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo

**Who:** 7-12 graders

**Cost:** TBD

**Interested?** – contact our office at [xhancock@iastate.edu](mailto:xhancock@iastate.edu) to get on a list for additional details as soon as we know more.

## TEEN 4-H LOCK-IN

### Teen Lock-In

January 14th, 2023  
Algona YMCA  
7 to 11PM  
7th - 12th grades  
Registration deadline is 1/7/23

#### Activity List:

- Swimming
- Food
- Sports
- Games

To Register:  
<https://form.jotform.com/222374172883157>

For More Information:  
Kossuth County Extension @  
515-295-2469

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**When:** Saturday, January 14th  
**What:** Hang out with 4-Hers and friends, and make new friends while playing games, sports, swimming or eating.

**Where:** Algona YMCA

**Who:** 7-12 graders

**Cost:** \$10

**Interested:** Contact Kossuth County Extension at 515-295-2469 no later than January 7th.

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## NOW HIRING YOUTH OUTREACH COORDINATOR

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ISU Extension and Outreach in Hancock County has an exciting opening for a Full-Time Youth Outreach Coordinator. This is an opportunity to join our team if you are an individual with a passion for working with youth of all ages, great volunteers, and networking with others in a fast paced high energy office. This is a full time position working up to 40 hours per week, requiring some evenings and weekends.

### Position Summary:

This position provides assistance to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach in Hancock County and to the Hancock County Extension Council for organization and delivery of 4-H positive youth development programming. Program delivery modes including clubs, camps, school, event and after-school programming in conjunction with office responsibilities, volunteer management, building partnerships and managing resources. The position requires

knowledge and adherence to the structure, policies, and guidelines of Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and Hancock County 4-H.

A complete job description and application can be found on the web site: <https://extension.iastate.edu/hancock> under the "about us" tab. To apply, submit cover letter, resume, completed application and three references to the Hancock County Extension Office, 327 West 8th Street, Garner, IA 50438. An Equal Opportunity Employer. Please email [kristyb@iastate.edu](mailto:kristyb@iastate.edu) with questions. This position is open until filled.

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