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Hancock County

4-H FAMILY Newsletter



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4-H friends and families,

We are ending 2023 with new friends, new skills built, and great ideas for the future. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your family. We have had a great year of 79 workshops reaching more than 1,500 kids. Ninety-eight Clover Kids are enjoying a year of leaning about cooking and building kitchen skills. We have nine LEGO League teams who have been working hard to prepare for regional competitions and expos. We are having our own showcase of their efforts on Sunday, Nov. 19th at 2:00 pm at the GHV High School. Come check it out!

We are excited to see what 2024 will bring for fun learning opportunities for K-12th graders in Hancock county. Our fabulous volunteers have set up a great 4-H year for each community club. We are already starting to brainstorm and plan for summer workshops. Recruit a friend to join your 4-H adventure today!

Please share with everyone beef weigh-in will be Saturday, December 2nd from 8:00 am-10:00 am at the Hancock County Fairgrounds. 4th-12th graders who plan to show a market beef animal must have animal weighed on December 2nd.

Congratulations to Britt Broncos for earning the Golden Clover Award for 2023.

This award is earned by turning in an application and earning points for activities that club members and the club do during the year.

Congratulations to our record book and competitive award winners. They are listed in this newsletter and will be highlighted during the month of November on social media. Be sure to share the posts so everyone can see what great things are accomplished in 4-H.

All the best,

Hancock County Extension Staff
Kristy, Victoria, & Kara



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CALENDAR

Ongoing	FIRST LEGO League Challenge & Explore team	varies	varies
Monday, Nov. 6	Elcon Indians Club mtg.	Extension Office	6:30 - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 7	GHV 3rd Grade Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Sunday, Nov. 12	Britt Broncos Club mtg.	Britt Municipal Building	2:00 pm
Sunday, Nov. 12	Northwest Chargers Club mtg.	Woden Community Center	2:00 pm
Sunday, Nov. 12	BullsEye Bunch Club mtg	Extension Office	2:00 - 4:00 pm
Monday, Nov. 13	WH 2nd-3rd Grade Clover Kids	WH Elementary	3:30 - 5:00 pm
Monday, Nov. 13	Holiday Placemat & Goodies workshop	GHV Elementary	3:30 - 5:30 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 14	GHV 2nd Grade Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 - 5:00 pm
Sunday, Nov. 19	LEGO League Showcase	GHV High School	2:00 pm
Monday, Nov. 20	WH K-1st Grade Clover Kids	WH Elementary	3:30 - 5:00 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 21	GHV 1st Grade Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 - 5:00 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 21	Garfield Sluggers Club mtg.	Duncan Hall	6:00 - 7:30 pm
Thursday, Nov. 23	Holiday - Office closed		
Friday, Nov. 24	Holiday - office closed		
Saturday, Nov. 25	Valiant Vikings Club mtg.	Leader home	10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Monday, Nov. 27	Holiday Placemat & Goodies workshop	WH Elementary	3:30 - 5:30 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 28	GHV Kindergarten Clover Kids	GHV Elementary	3:30 - 5:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 2	Beef Weigh-in	Fairgrounds	8:00 am
Monday, Dec. 4	Elcon Indians Club mtg.	Extension Office	6:30 - 8:00 pm
Monday, Dec. 25	Holiday - office closed		
Tuesday, Dec. 26	Holiday - office closed		
Friday, Dec. 29	Babysitting Clinic	Extension Office	9:00 am - 3:30 pm
Saturday, Dec. 30	Orthel Jolly Workers Club mtg.	TBD	6:30 pm



BEEF WEIGH-IN

Saturday, December 2, 2023

8:00-10:00 am

Who: 4th -12th graders who might possibly show in a market class, including bucket bottle return and pen of three MUST have a beginning weight.

Where: Hancock County District Fairgrounds (Farm Bureau Building)

All Hancock County beef must have TWO forms of identification. Ear tag and county tattoo will be provided at weigh in for county animals at the cost of \$3.00 per tag.

Reminder: Anyone wishing to show their animal at the Iowa State Fair MUST get their animal retinal scanned. Retinal scanning is an extra \$5.00 per head fee.

Questions: Call 641-923-2856 or email xhancock@iastate.edu

If this date does not work for you please contact the Hancock County Extension Office about possible alternative dates.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

FIND US AT: EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/HANCOCK

2022-2023 RECORD BOOK AWARDS

Congratulations to our 4-H award winners! You have done an outstanding job completing your 4-H records. We'd like to recognize the following in the project area achievements and competitive awards to 4-Hers for character, hard work, and commitment.

SENIOR PROJECT AWARDS

Kollin Hanson, Garfield Sluggers

Bronze: Home Improvement, Photography
Silver: Woodworking
Gold: Citizenship

Logan Kudej, BullsEye Bunch

Bronze: Beef, Poultry

Jenna Pringnitz, Concord Challengers

Bronze: Food & Nutrition, Photography
Silver: Poultry
Gold: Swine

Jonah Pringnitz, Concord Challengers

Bronze: Food & Nutrition, Photography,
Visual Arts
Silver: Poultry, Swine

Isabel Stromer, Horse Project

Bronze: Food & Nutrition
Silver: Poultry

INTERMEDIATE PROJECT AWARDS

Grant Lamb, Concord Challengers

Bronze: Food & Nutrition, Home Grounds
Improvement, Home Improvement,
Photography, Sheep

Luke Lamb, Concord Challengers

Bronze: Consumer Management,
Food & Nutrition, Home Improvement,
Photography, Sheep, Visual Arts, Woodworking

Emma Schumacher, Garfield Sluggers

Bronze: Clothing, Home Improvement, Horse,
Visual Arts, Woodworking
Silver: Child Development, Communication

Emily Boothroyd, Britt Broncos

Bronze: Food & Nutrition, Family & Consumer
Science, Home Improvement



Olivia DeWaard, Britt Broncos

Bronze: Citizenship, Home Grounds
Improvement, Horticulture
Silver: Clothing, Food & Nutrition

Wyatt Eekhoff, Britt Broncos

Bronze: Beef, Food & Nutrition, Photography,
Science, Engineering, & Technology
Silver: Ag & Natural Resources

Evie Stromer, Concord Challengers

Bronze: Food & Nutrition
Silver: Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep

JUNIOR PROJECT AWARDS

Alizabeth Eekhoff, Britt Broncos

Bronze: Beef, Home Improvement,
Photography, Sewing & Needle Arts
Silver: Animal Science, Swine

Hayden Hadacek, Britt Broncos

Bronze: Food & Nutrition,
Home Improvement, Vet Science,
Sewing & Needle Arts
Gold: Horse, Photography

Landen Kudej, BullsEye Bunch

Bronze: Beef, Poultry, Swine

Cole Lau, Elcon Indians

Gold: Communications, Dog, Poultry

Aubrey Upmeyer, Garfield Sluggers

Bronze: Clothing, Communication,
Food & Nutrition, Home Improvement,
Photography

Grace Schumacher, Garfield Sluggers

Bronze: Clothing, Home Improvement,
Visual Arts

Josie Schumacher, Garfield Sluggers

Bronze: Clothing, Home Improvement,
Horse, Sewing & Needle Arts
Silver: Citizenship

Please be sure to watch social media and share the accomplishments of these kids. Clubs can request awards be presented at a club meeting.

An award reception is being planned for the winners of the competitive awards and the generous donors who support and gift those awards. Please watch for additional information to come to you if you were the recipient of a competitive award.



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.

Winners for the competitive awards have done an excellent job showcasing their citizenship, leadership, and character in each award category.



Senior Leadership:
Jenna Pringnitz

Senior Citizenship:
Olivia DeWaard
Kollin Hanson
Jonah Pringnitz

Intermediate Leadership:

Hayden Hadacek

Merit Award:
Olivia DeWaard
Kollin Hanson

**Mitchell and Ida Mae Bock
Memorial Scholarship**
No applicants

Wendy Greiman Achievement Award
Jr: Aubrey Upmeyer
Int/Sr: Jenna Pringnitz

FABULOUS 4-H VOLUNTEERS

We are able to provide great experiences for youth because of the wonderful volunteers we have. Please thank the volunteer that leads your 4-H club or LEGO team!!

Britt Broncos
Kristi DeWaar
Lori Eekhoff

Concord Challengers
Karrie Pringnitz

Elcon Indians
Carrie Lau

Orthel Jolly Workers
Twyla Ostercamp

Northwest Chargers

Marilyn Leerar

Garfield Sluggers
Eric Malek
Kimberly Malek
Casey Schleusner
Katie Schleusner

Valiant Vikings
Hayley Muff

After School Kids Clubs
Kay Kopacek
Margaret Guth
Ladonna Schaeffer

Bullseye Bunch
Dan Nelson
Nic Nelson

Horse Project Leaders
Laurie Hadacek
Sarah Ulven

Color Coders FLL
Jen Asche
Alysen Pace

Team Eagle
Jeremy Brogaard
Joe Young

Mission Magicians
Carrie Lau
David Tweeten



Every Bot Is Awesome FLL
Mindi Diekhuis
Ben Diekhuis

Star Blasters FLL
Racine Dodd
Tip Piper

Galaxy Art Bad Guys FLL
Jen Asche
Maria Oekle

The Eagles
Josh Crawford
Quentin Stortenbecker

Garner Team 6
Cassidy Albertson
Duane Pecinovsky

LEGO World FLL
Ashley Recknor
Kevin Boss
Vince Trent

NOVEMBER WORKSHOP

Who: 2nd - 5th graders

What: Learn how to set a proper table setting, make a placemat by learning how to paper quilt, and design Oreo Truffles.

Garner: Monday, Nov. 13
@ GHV Elementary,
3:30 - 5:30 pm

Britt: Monday, Nov. 27
@ WH Elementary,
3:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: \$10, Scholarships available



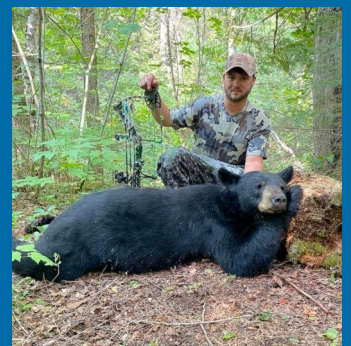
Sign Up: Additional information and sign up forms are available on our website, www.extension.iastate.edu/hancock/november-holiday-workshop. Registration are due Nov. 7th for GHV and Nov. 21st for WH. Space is limited.

SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB

The BullsEye Bunch is looking forward to a fun fall kickoff meeting on Sunday, November 12th from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Extension Office in Garner.

4th-12th graders are welcome to join the club. Learn to shoot archery, rifle, shotgun, and build on their outdoor wildlife skills. State competition is at the end of August for those who would like to shoot competitively.

Ty and Travis Glidden will be at the November meeting to share about the African safari hunt they did this summer!



HANCOCK COUNTY

LEGO LEAGUE SHOWCASE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH

2:00 - 4:00 PM GHV HIGH SCHOOL

COME SEE!

CHECK IT OUT!
BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS!

Teams will be highlighting:

- Building teamwork
- Developing core values
- Discovering how to program and build robots
- Working to complete robot mission for points
- Contributing their community innovation challenge
- Learning all about MASTERPIECES & how to communicate through the arts



BABYSITTING CLINIC

Who: 4th- 8th graders

What: Learn skills and gather babysitting supplies including: basic First Aid kit, magic babysitting bag, child development & age appropriate activities.

When: Friday, December 29th,
9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Where: Hancock County Extension Office

Cost: \$15, Lunch included

Sign Up: Additional information and sign up forms are available on our website, <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/hancock/> and are due Monday, December 18th.

Learn skills and gather supplies

including:

- Safety & Basic first aid with first aid kit
- Child development & age appropriate games, activities, and responses
- Build your own Magic Babysitting Bag
- Prepare healthy meal and snack ideas
- Be a responsible babysitter

@Hancock County Extension Office

Babysitting clinic

Grades 4-8
\$15, Lunch included

Friday, Dec 29th
9:00 am - 3:30 pm

CLOVER KIDS: CHEFS!!



K-3rd graders meet once a month after school to learn about cooking and building kitchen skills. For October we learned about how to cut strawberries, how to make frozen yogurt, and what chores are done on a dairy farm.

In November we will make our own salsa. K-3rd graders can still sign up if they want to join us. Contact us at xhancock@iastate.edu for more information.



OUR VISION

A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSTIVE CHANGE





4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER

CLUB WORKSHOP OFFERINGS

Your Extension Staff can lead a club workshop for you. Please schedule your workshop a minimum of one month ahead to allow us time to get supplies.

MASON JAR LIGHTS

Length: 1 1/2 hours

Cost: \$10

What: Paint the inside of a mason jar and stencil out your own design.



PIZZA PAN WREATH

Length: 1 1/2 hours

Cost: \$5

What: Transform a pizza pan into a wreath using paint, ribbon, and other decor.



BALLOON BOWLS

Length: 2 hours

Cost: \$5

What: Use a balloon, mod podge, and confetti to shape your own colorful bowl.



MARBLE DISH

Length: 1 hour

Cost: \$10

What: Twist oven bake clay to form a beautiful marble dish!



SMALL LID POUCH

Length: 1 hour

Cost: \$5

What: Gather your old container lids to create a pouch with a zipper and felt.



PARACORD WATER BOTTLE HOLDER

What: Learn how to braid paracord and all about its many uses.

Finish off by creating a unique paracord holder for your water bottle.

Length: 1 hour
Cost: \$10



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