**Tune In Today!**

**2015 Iowa County Fair Dates**
Theme: Dare to Discover
Static Judging Day (Non-Livestock Projects) **Saturday, July 11th**
Iowa County Fair- July 15-19th

**Save-the-Dates**
- June 1: Jr Camp forms due to Extension Office
- June 6th: Pee-Wee Lamb Workshop at the Iowa County Fairgrounds
- June 7th: Buddy Project Meet at the Extension Office
- June 11th: Pizza on the Farm
- June 12th: Mini County Fair at Highland Ridge

June 15th: Livestock Green Cards are due to the Extension Office, The pee wee bucket bottle calf and lamb forms, all communication registrations are due on Signup Genius, and Camping forms to the Iowa County Fair Board
- June 16-18th: Junior 4-H Camp- Crooked Creek Camp, Washington
- June 30th- July 2nd: 2015 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference: Dare to Discover

**2015 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference: Dare to Discover**
The deadline for State Conference is past. If you still want to attend there will be an additional $25 late fee that you must cover by June 10th.

**Pizza on the Farm!**
On June 11th kick off the summer by hanging out with friends, enjoying some pizza and supporting the 4-H foundation! The flier with additional information is attached.

**Iowa County Fair Materials**
All Iowa County Fair Materials were passed out to your 4-H Leaders at our May 19th Leaders Meeting. Thank you for all who attended and for all your questions and input! The Fair Materials passed out include: 2015 Iowa County Fair Book- 1 per family, Non-Livestock Entry Form, Clover Bud Exhibit Form, Communications- Signup Genius Help Sheet, Livestock Green Cards, etc. Please let your leaders know how many exhibit tags and photography labels you will need. Additional labels and forms can be picked up at the Iowa County Extension office if needed as well.

**2015 Iowa County Fair Camping Registration**
Attached to this e-mail is the 2015 Iowa County Fair Camping Registration. To reserve a space you must PRE-REGISTER & PRE-PAY by June 15th. If you have any questions feel free to contact Tim Moore: 319-325-3635

**Pop Tabs Collection- Camp Courageous**
Hilton Willing Workers 4-H’ers are collecting pop tabs for Camp Courageous. A collection box is
at the Extension Office in Williamsburg if you would like to contribute. Collections will be taken until the end of May. If you have any questions feel free to contact Anthony Streeper: astreep@williamsburg.k12.i.a.us

4-H Project Materials
First and second year 4-H members are encouraged to look at Project Hot Sheets and Exhibit Tip Sheets for the project areas you are enrolled in. Both of these materials can be found at: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/project-helpers
These are an excellent tool for new ideas regardless of years in 4-H.

PEE-WEE Bottle Calf and Lamb- Due to Extension Office June 15th
Open to Iowa County Youth in grades K-3rd Grade. Registration forms and rules are attached.

2014 Horse Clinics
All 4-H and FFA members will be required to attend 3 clinics. It is required that your horse comes with you so you both get practice and preparation before the Iowa County Fair. Horse Clinics will be held weekly starting April 23rd with a guest speaker, starting- 6 pm. Clinics will be held at Outlaw Ranch- Gwendy and Larry Ehret, 2831 P Ave, Parnell, IA 52325.

Dog Classes
Classes are beginning held weekly on Tuesday Nights at Iowa County Fair Grounds in Marengo. **Weekly Obedience classes will be rain or shine, since we will be using the show arena! Please dress for the weather since we will be outside. All dog project members will meet at 6:30 p.m. Before your dog may attend class or show at the Iowa County Fair, you must provide proof of rabies and DHPPC. You may bring this to the meeting or to the first class. If you have any questions, please Maggie Moore at 319-330-9869.

Iowa State Fair Entries are now OPEN
Please read and follow the directions below to complete your Iowa State Fair Entries. The help sheet links are listed below. If you have any questions about this process, feel free to contact the Extension Office.

Attention State Fair 4-H Livestock/Horticulture Exhibitors:

The 2015 State Fair 4-H Livestock/Horticulture Entry Process is now open!

This year is a brand new, online entry process called FairEntry.

Please read the following for VERY important details:

- State Fair 4-H entry is for members who have completed 5th grade and above
- You will use your 4HOnline family login information to complete the entry process
- We have created a step by step help sheet to walk you through everything
- Help Sheet: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/livestock
- FairEntry Website: https://iowastatefair4hlivestock.fairentry.com
**REMEMBER:** ALL animals must have been identified in 4HOnline to be eligible for State Fair 4-H Exhibition

- FSQA - All 4-H exhibitors (except dog and horse) must have a current FSQA certification record in 4HOnline. Please contact your county office to make arrangements if your FSQA certification is not current.

**ENTRY DEADLINE: JULY 1 at 11:59 PM**

Be sure to check back on the [State Fair 4-H Livestock](#) page for updated information as the fair approaches!

- Exhibitor Letters
- Drug Affidavits
- 2015 Premium Book
- Exhibitor Ticket Order Form
- Species-related announcements and updates

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**IS YOUR FSQA CERTIFICATION CURRENT?**

You can check your FSQA certification expiration date by logging into your 4-H Online account and view the member list. This educational program helps youth understand their role in the food supply chain and educates youth about the importance of following a quality assurance program when raising market animals. All market and breeding beef, bucket bottle, swine, sheep, dairy (cattle & goat), meat goat, rabbit and poultry exhibitors are REQUIRED to be FSQA certified to exhibit at the Iowa County Fair and Iowa State Fair in 2015. Certification may take 2 forms: attend a training or obtain certification by testing.

**Junior Members** (4th-6th grade) MUST TAKE THE CLASS every year as a junior.

**Intermediate Members** (7th-9th grade)

Option 1: Take the class every year. See dates listed above.

Option 2: Take the class, then take the test. When the test is passed, you don’t have to take it again until a senior member.

Option 3: Take the test and pass. When the test is passed, you don’t have to take it again until a senior member.

Tests are due July 1st, you can call and make an appointment to take it at the Iowa County Extension Office at (319) 668-1052.

**Senior Members** (10th-12th grade)

Option 1: Take the class every year. See dates listed above.

Option 2: Take the class, then take the test. When the test is passed, you don’t have to take it again.
Option 3: Take the test and pass. When the test is passed, you don’t have to take it again. **Tests are due July 1st**, you can call and make an appointment to take it at the Iowa County Extension Office at (319) 668-1052.

**Communications Signup Genius is now live**
This year we are using Sign up Genius for signing up for: Communication Events, Clothing Event and KINZE Award, this website allows families to sign up for whatever time slot that is most convenient for them. These registrations are **due June 15th**. By using the link provided below you are able to see the location and times that are still available for judging and select which works best for you. The Extension Office will contact you if there are any problems with your preferred scheduling time and work them out prior to releasing a final presentation schedule. Sign up Genius requires you to state a title or description for your event in order to save your time slot, be sure you know this information before you sign up. Sign up Genius also allows you to go back and edit the title and your selected time slot at any time by using the link provided below. If you are confused or need to ask any questions about Sign up Genius contact the Iowa County Extension Office at (319) 668-1052.

**Bucket Bottle** *(Tuesday, July 14th from 9 to 3)*
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-bucket1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-bucket1)

**Clothing selection and Fashion Revue** *(Monday, July 13th from 9 to 1)*
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-clothing](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-clothing)

**$15 challenge** *(Monday, July 13th from 9 to 1)*
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-15challenge](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-15challenge)

**Educational Presentations** *(Friday, July 17th from 8:30 to 1)*
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-educational](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-educational)

**Pride of Iowa** *(Saturday, July 18th from 10 to noon)*
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-pride1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-pride1)

**Share-the-Fun** *(Friday, July 17th from 5 to 6:30)*
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-sharethefun1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-sharethefun1)

**Working Exhibits** *(Thursday, July 16th from noon to 3)*
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-working1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-working1)

**KINZE Sweepstakes** *(Thursday, July 16th from 10 to 2)*
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-kinze](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca8ab2da4fb6-kinze)

Clover University Camp for children grades K-7
Information flier and registration forms are attached. These camps are not only for 4-H members, they are for ANY child ages K-7 that are interesting in exploring hands on STEM learning. STEM stands for and focuses on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics learning expectances. **Registration forms are due June 4th**.

**Grades k-1 Scale & Tails on June 17th**
**Grades 2-3 Mystery Bear June 10th**
**Grades 4-6 Shake Things up June 24th**
**Grades 5-7 Robotics July 20-22**

**Iowa County Youth Council Applications**
Iowa County Fair is just around the corner and so is the beginning of the 2015-16 4-H year. So it
is once again time to start organizing the Iowa County Youth Council, and we would encourage you to join! If you are interested in participating with Youth Council, please fill out the attached application and return it to the Extension Office by June 10th. As part of the application process, those applying need to attend the Youth Council Retreat on Sunday June 14th @ 4:00pm at the Extension Office. If you are unable to attend this retreat, prior arrangements will need to be made with the YC Advisors. If you have any questions, please contact one of the YC advisors.

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Sheep Workshop for Pee Wee Lamb Participants
Crossroads 4-H Club is holding a sheep workshop on June 6th from 9 – 10 am for pee wee lamb participants and from 10:30 – noon for 4th grade and up. For any further questions please contact Julie Harriman at jules@iowatelecom.net

“Mini County Fair” at Highland Ridge
Crossroads will be holding a “Mini County Fair” at Highland Ridge on June 12th. We are looking for 4Her’s who would like to practice their communications - share the fun, working exhibit, etc. to come and perform at the care center. Start time is 3:00 p.m. Please contact Julie Harriman if you are interested in participating and or have additional questions at jules@iowatelecom.net

Pee-Wee Lamb Workshop
Saturday June 6th Crossroads 4-H and hosting a Pee-Wee Lamb Workshop at the Iowa County Fairgrounds. The flier is attached with additional information

Buddy Project Meeting to help prepare 4-H’ers for judging day
The next Buddy Project Meeting will be on Sunday June 7th at 4:00 at the Extension Office. At this meeting we will be working on write ups for our fair projects and also how to communicate with a judge. 4Hers should bring a project they have completed (or started) as well as the project write-up. If the write-up is not complete, that's great we'll work on how to get it finished!
This meeting has also been extended to ANY junior member who may want help with getting their project write-ups started/completed. Please share this info with your club members, especially any new members and if you have any additional questions feel free to contact Jenn Walz at jmwalz81@hotmail.com

Club Assignments for Fair
attached is the flier with the assignments for before, during and after fair for all 4-H clubs.

Send me your club news
I know you are out there having fun, doing activities and performing community service projects. Share that 4-H spirit with the rest of us!

Have a Wonderful Week! :)

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