Tune in Tuesday!

2014 Iowa County Fair Dates

Theme: Ticket to Success

Static Judging Day (Non-Livestock Projects) Saturday, July 12th

Iowa County Fair- July 16-20th

Save-the-Dates

March 29: Derby Swine Weigh-in, Williamsburg- NOTE: Date Change!

March 28-30th: McCullough Fitting Clinic, Fair Grounds

April 30th: Sheep and Goat Weigh-in, Fair grounds

June 10-12th: Junior 4-H Camp- State Camping Center, Madrid, Iowa State University Extension

**More information will be coming**

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.

2014 Iowa County 4-H Fruit Sales - update

A total of 470 boxes of fruit were SOLD! Fruit will be delivered on Tuesday, March 11th at the Iowa County Extension Office in Williamsburg. Fruit can be picked up from 4:30-7:00 PM. **All fruit must be picked up by Thursday, March 13th by 12:00 noon.** Please contact Mary at the Extension Office if you have any questions.

McCullough Fitting Clinic- March 28-30th, Iowa County Fair Grounds

Please contact Mary at the extension Office if you are planning on attending this Clinic. We still have room, but we will be ordering door prizes on Friday, March 7th. Anyone who signs up after March 7th may not get a door prize.

This clinic is first come first serve. We have to limit it to 25 head of cattle. More participants are welcome; however those of you who bring your animals will learn the most. Price is reduced thanks to
the Iowa County Livestock Committee and Hilton Happy Hustlers 4-H Club! We could not host this hands-on clinic without their support.

If members attend all three days, their FSQA certification will be complete. Saturday during lunch we will cover two of the FSQA topics and Sunday we will complete the other 2 topics. I can’t stress this enough, members MUST attend all three days to complete their FSQA requirements for the year!

**County Fair 4-H Derby Swine Weigh-In - Saturday, March 29th**

11-12 PM, Monsanto “Old FS Facility”

1. Iowa County 4-H and FFA Members may nominate a maximum of (4) pigs
2. These pigs must be barrows
3. No Barrow should weigh more than 75 lbs at spring weigh-in
4. Pigs must be ear-notched and castrated prior to weigh-in.

**For Biosecurity purposes, I need to know whose attending. Please e-mail or call the office, with your name and how many pigs you’re planning on bringing by March 10th. If you have any questions please contact Mary.**

**4-H Bucket Bottle Calves**

1. Must be calved between Jan. 1- April 30,2014
2. Must be purchased and in possession of member within 2 weeks of birth
3. Open to any newborn or orphan calf, steer or heifer; dairy, beef or crossbred. Calf must be identified by ear tag and in the possession of the member by May 15.
4. Calves must be castrated or banded by May 15
5. Must be dehorned
6. 4-H and FFA Members may identify up to three animals but it limited to a maximum of 2 calves exhibited at fair.
7. Exhibitors must be certified through the Food Safety Quality Insurance Program to exhibit their animal at the fair.

**Leadership Retreat**

Attention Iowa County 8th-12th 4-H’ers!!

Are you a leader? Do you want to be on Youth Council next year? How about the new Junior Fair Leadership team? Then you cannot miss this awesome retreat! Iowa County 4-H is hosting the first annual Leadership Retreat on Sunday, April 6th at Zentmire Hall on the Iowa County Fairgrounds from 1 PM to 6 PM. Join other Iowa County future leaders as you learn new leadership skills through exciting, hands-on, exciting games and challenges. We know you all have great ideas – this is the perfect place to learn more about communicating them! This is an active retreat – so come ready to move! Cost is $10 to attend, which includes pizza. Registration form will be mailed to you, please be watching for them in the mail.
**Rabbit Workshop**

Iowa County Fair Grounds, Marengo Iowa State University Extension

Sunday, April 13th from 12:30 – 3:00 PM

$5.00 registration fee and form is attached. (We need 10 person minimum)

Speakers will discuss rabbit breeds and health. Youth are encouraged to bring their rabbit to be evaluated and to show them in a “practice” show. Rabbit tattooing will be available. Youth can build a carrier for their rabbit by reserving supplies for a cost on their registration form. This event is sponsored by the Hilton Willing Workers 4-H Club and the Iowa County 4-H Foundation. Registration form is attached.

**PEE-WEE Bottle Calf and Lamb**

Open to Iowa County Youth in grades K-3rd Grade. Registration forms and rules are attached.

**2014 Washington County Spring Preview Show**

Washington County Fairgrounds, Washington Iowa

Saturday, April 19th

Check-In from 8-9:30 am

Show Time- 11:00 am

Cost is $30 before April 1st, $35 after April 1st

Pre-entry is not required but is appreciated

Please contact Amy Green, 319-653-4811 or amygren@iastate.edu for more information.

**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.

If you intend to show at the Iowa County Fair 4-H & FFA Fair with Market Beef, Breeding Beef, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goat, Meat Goat, Sheep, Poultry, Swine or Rabbit- FSQA (Food Safety Quality Assurance) is REQUIRED.
SAVE THE DATE- March 29th in Washington County will hold one of the two Regional FSQA Trainings. The other will be on April 7th in Johnson County. More information is coming.

CAN YOU HELP? Iowa County Youth and adults volunteers are needed to help with sessions. Please call the office, if you can help on April 7th. Thank You!

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!

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