THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

Each year National Volunteer Week is held in April. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helps to make this program the success that it is! Without volunteers not only would we not be successful, but rather, we would be nonexistent. So to all of the 4-H Leaders, Co-Leaders, Project and Special Interest Club Leaders, to everyone who has helped with FSQA, the Junior Lock-In, 4-H Garden, Livestock Verifications, Workshops, Fairboard Members and Superintendents, your commitment to the youth of Jasper County is phenomenal and we can’t THANK YOU enough!

THE FAIRBOOKS ARE ONLINE

The Jasper County Fairbooks are online and have also just arrived in our office. They will be ready for distribution to your 4-H leaders in the next day or two.
4-H COOK THIS EVENT

I am so excited to offer this event for Regions 13 & 14. Cook This! Is a youth culinary challenge, where three team members compete in a four part challenge. Participants will demonstrate their knowledge in kitchen equipment, produce identification, and creativity in food preparation. There will be two divisions in this competition, Juniors (4th – 7th grade) and Seniors (8th – 12th grade). This competition will take place on June 4th at the Marion County Extension Office in Knoxville. If you have signed up for the Food & Nutrition project area in 4hOnline, be watching your mail for a flyer and registration form. If you have not signed up for the Food & Nutrition project area in 4hOnline and would like more information, please contact Stacey, at the Extension & Outreach Office at 641 792 6433.

4-H HALL OF FAME

Do you know of a long time 4-H Volunteer to nominate for the 4-H Hall Of Fame? If so contact Stacey at the Extension Office 641 792 6433 with the name and details of their 4-H work. The Iowa 4-H Youth Development Program and the Iowa 4-H Foundation are sponsoring the 13th annual 4-H Hall of Fame at the Iowa State Fair to recognize volunteers and staff who have exhibited outstanding service to the 4-H program. The 4-H Hall of Fame is an opportunity for counties to have their outstanding volunteers recognized at the state level. The individual or couple that your county selects automatically becomes a member of the State 4-H Hall of Fame. There is no additional selection process at the state level. Information about the 2016 Hall of Fame and the 2016 selection form are available at https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/restrict/halloffame.htm. The deadline for names, accompanying biographies, contact information, and photos is May 30.

4-H’ERS FOR 4-H

Every year the State 4-H Council sponsors the Iowa 4-H’ers for 4-H Campaign, which raises money to fund projects that benefit 4-H members throughout the state. This year marks the 31st anniversary of the 4-H’ers for 4-H Campaign and the theme is YOU Grow 4-H! Funds raised provide financial assistance to help 4-H’ers attend 4-H camp or conference, helps members from low income families pay part of their annual 4-H program fee, funds the State Youth Conference, & helps to provide needed items to the 4-H Center. Each club is asked to donate a minimum of $3.00 per member to the campaign. The campaign runs until May 15th. If your club would like to participate you can find a form on the Iowa 4-H Foundation’s website or contact the extension & outreach office at 641 792 6433.
WHAT IS DUE WHEN FOR THE JASPER COUNTY FAIR

As a reminder to 4-H’ers and to inform new families the following guideline will be in every newsletter from here on out (providing there is room). If entries are late they are brought before a committee and the decision is made as if the 4-H’er will be allowed to exhibit. We hate to keep anyone from showing at the fair however, it’s not fair to those who get their entries in correctly and on time. Hopefully, this will help, and remember... If in doubt ASK!

May 15 – Identify all animals in 4hOnline this includes Breeding Beef, Bottle Calves, Dairy Cattle, Dairy & Meat Goats, Dogs, Horses, Llamas, Sheep, & Swine, Rabbits, Cats, & Poultry (Market Beef are done in Dec/Jan following weigh in.)

May 15- County Fair Entry Process – See the enclosed help sheet on how to do this. Animals must be identified in 4hOnline first before you can enter them in the fair entry system.

July 1 - Entries for Communications- Working Exhibits, Share the Fun, Extemporaneous Speaking, & Educational Presentations. Clothing Selection and Fashion Review Entries are also due July 1st.

July 1- STATE FAIR ENTRY FORM DUE

July 13- 4-H Building Exhibits Entries Due (this also will be a new process)

Again this year, ALL paper work needs to be complete when you bring your projects to the fair. We will no longer have forms, goal sheets, and tags available in the 4-H building.

Iowa State Fair 4-H Livestock Rule Changes/Updates

4-H Livestock Homepage:  [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock)

Refer to 4-H 202 document: Iowa 4-H Livestock Show Requirements
4hOnline Animal Type Changes:

**Bucket/Bottle ANIMAL** – replaces Bucket/Bottle Calf - Select (calf, lamb, goat) when identifying

**Market Beef** – added a birthdate field (heifers only, this is the same as last year)

**DOG** – ability to upload rabies certificate

**HORSE**
4-H 511C Rule Book – for ALL horse shows in Iowa. These rules pertain to county fair 4-H shows.
New This Year- Increase from 2 to 3 horses entered per exhibitor
Max of 6 classes per exhibitor

**MEAT GOATS**
All Iowa State Fair Meat Goats are required to have retinal images taken.
Breeding Does- 4-H Ear Tag or Tattoo
Market Meat Goats- both does and wethers are eligible, shown together
From 4 to 6 total head eligible for entry (no more than 4 market or 4 breeding) per exhibitor
Rubber Mats – “layer of bedding underneath required”
Breeding Doe Class Adjustments – Be sure to check out the class adjustments on the State 4-H Livestock Page

**SHEEP**
Again for 2016- ALL STATE FAIR SHEEP MUST HAVE A 4-H TAG AND RETINAL IMAGES
If there are no images, they are not eligible for state fair.

**SWINE**
Again for 2016: ALL swine need a tag for show.
JUNIOR FUN NIGHT

Thank You to everyone who attended the 4-H Junior Fun Night, and to County Council for hosting the event. The evening events included, swimming, team building/new friend making games, a pizza party and dodgeball.

STATE 4-H YOUTH CONFERENCE

Youth Conference dates have been set for June 28th through June 30th. This year’s theme is “Dive to New Depths.” This is a great opportunity to experience college life, attend fun events including dances and a formal banquet, as well as informative workshops. This event is free for Jasper County 4-H’ers. For more information please contact Stacey at wilsonsl@iastate.edu or log into www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference Please register as soon as possible so that you get your first choice of workshops and so we know how many chaperones to line up.

LIVING HISTORY FARMS 4-H & FFA DAY

Sunday, May 1st is 4-H & FFA Day at Living History Farms. Kids and leaders will receive free admission to Living History Farms if they wear a 4-H or FFA Shirt.

COUNTY FAIR QUEEN

Jasper County Fair Queen Applications are due to the Extension Office by May 2nd. For more information check out the Facebook page – Jasper County Fair Queen Contest or contact Amanda Knight at amandamknight@gmail.com

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING AND LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CARING ADULTS
INTERMEDIATE TRIP TO MINNEAPOLIS -

Central Iowa 4-H Intermediate Trip: 7th & 8th Graders Discover the Twin Cities - Make plans to join the fun in discovering some great places around Minneapolis and St. Paul, June 7th & 8th, 2016. You will meet 4-H’ers from other counties in Central Iowa. The places you’ll be visiting are:
- Cabela’s
- Minnesota Zoo
- Mall of America
- Rainforest Café
- Tour of Target Field Ballpark
- Minneapolis Sculpture Garden
- Valley Fair Amusement Park

Think of all the project areas and life skills that are related to the trip: animal science, science and technology, history, money management, consumer product selection, food and nutrition, responsibility, citizenship, social skills and of course, LOTS OF FUN! Consider doing a fair exhibit related to your experiences.

Registration deadline is April 30. Trip cost is $175.00 this covers all attractions, hotel, transportation and some meals. Jasper County 4-H’ers will be reimbursed approximately ½ of the trip cost following the trip making the cost of the trip $87.50.

MARKET BROILERS

The 2016 State Fair Market Broiler Entry Form is now open. Entries are due May 1. A help sheet has been posted on the 4-H Poultry Homepage to walk you through the entire entry & payment process. http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/poultry

4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE, AND MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.
SHEEP & MEAT GOAT WEIGH IN (new time and day)

The Jasper County Sheep & Meat Goat Verification will be Sunday, May 1 from 2 to 4 pm. State fair sheep verification – ALL market ewes, wethers, commercial breeding, and purebred breeding sheep that you might want to show at the Iowa State Fair must be tagged with a 4-H tag and have retinal images taken. The cost for this is $5.00.
If you plan to exhibit only at the county fair, the cost will be $2.00 per tag.
If you plan to exhibit at AK-SAR-BEN there is an additional charge of $5.00

****All State & County Fair Animals MUST be ID’ed in 4hOnline by May 15th****

Market Lambs- need weighed in, 4-H tags, and retinal scans for State Fair. For County Fair they just need 4-H tags.

Commercial Ewes and Purebred Ewes- need weighed in, 4-H tags, and retinal scans for State Fair. Commercial Ewes will need a tag if showing County Fair only, Purebred Ewes will not need a 4-H tag if showing County Fair only and do not need to attend verification.

Purebred Rams – Scrapie Tag & registration papers at Fair.
Wether/Sire- (not purebred) Scrapie Tag. All ewes (purebred and market) need scrapie tags.

MEAT GOATS-
ALL COUNTY FAIR ONLY MARKET MEAT GOATS (DOES & WETERS) - will need to have a 4-H tag and be weighed in at verification.

STATE FAIR MARKET MEAT GOATS (DOES & WETERS) – Need to be tagged, weighed in, and have a retinal image taken at verification.
ALL COUNTY FAIR ONLY BREEDING DOES- Need a 4-H tag or tattoo at verification.
STATE FAIR BREEDING DOES- Need a 4-H tag and a retinal image taken at verification.

JASPER COUNTY FAIR ROUND-UP & RODEO

SAVE THE DATE for June 25th and join us at the Jasper County Fairgrounds for the 2nd Annual Jasper County Fair Round Up and Rodeo. Our Round Up will include food vendors for a taste of the fair, bounce houses and pony rides for the kids, an arts and crafts show for moms and dads, and much more!

This year’s excitement begins with the Annual Barnyard Baby Contest, including new contests for the Jasper County Fair Jr. Princess (ages 6-8) and the Jr. Queen (ages 9-11). The Royal Coronations continue with the crowning of the 2016 Jasper County Fair Queen.

We cap off the Round Up with the Inaugural IRA/IRCA Rodeo starting at 7PM. That’s right, a full blown, all on, Iowa Rodeo, for the whole family! Bulls, Broncs, Barrels and more!

A Round Up of events, all geared to get you excited about the Jasper County Fair. Join us June 25th at the Jasper County Fairgrounds in Colfax for the Jasper County Fair Round Up and Rodeo.

Follow us on Facebook, Jasper County Fair Round Up and Rodeo, and check out our website, www.jaspercofair.com, for the most current details and announcements.
IOWA STATE FAIR LITTLE HANDS ON THE FARM

The Iowa State Fair would like to invite 4-H Clubs to help staff their Little Hands on the Farm Display during the 2015 Iowa State Fair. You would need to staff one of the three shifts during an assigned day. Volunteers would receive one admission ticket, one vehicle permit and a Little Hands on the Farm T-Shirt. Shifts are filling up quickly so if you are interested in this opportunity, contact Emily Wynn at 515-401-1544 or ebrewer@iowastatefair.org.

FUN NEW CLASS AT THE FAIR “LITTLE SQUEALERS PIG SHOW”

- Open to any 3 year old through 3rd grader
- Participants must be signed up and pay a $5 registration fee at the Jasper County Extension & Outreach Office by June 30th.
- The Little Squealers Pig show will be held immediately following the conclusion of the 4-H/FFA Swine Showmanship.
- Pigs will be furnished for this show by 4-H/FFA pigs already on the fairgrounds. DO NOT BRING YOUR OWN PIG TO THE FAIRGROUNDS.
- Exhibitors will be judged on their basic showmanship skills and be interviewed by the judge.
- Classes will be divided as needed by the age of the exhibitor.
- Exhibitors must wear jeans and closed toe shoes while in the show ring and a parent or guardian must be present at the time of the show.
Contact Chelsey Branderhorst or Bre Branderhorst with questions.

SWINE VERIFICATION

Swine Verification will be Sunday, April 24th from 2:00 – 4:00 pm this year. It will be held at the Jasper County Fairgrounds in Colfax. All swine exhibiting at the County Fair & 4-H swine that will be exhibiting at the State fair will need a tag. Cost per county fair ear tag is $2.00 and for state fair DNA tags the cost is $8.00 per tag. Maximum weight for pigs is 125 lbs at tag in on April 24th.

NEW DERBY SWINE CLASS- Derby Pigs must be weighed at the county fair verification on April 24th. The maximum weight in weight is 125 lbs. – Derby Pigs are shown based on average daily gain as well as physical production traits. – After weigh-in at county fair, each exhibitor may declare a maximum of two pigs to be shown in the derby class. Each pig may only be shown in one division (Market, Commercial Gilt, or Derby). The derby champion & reserve champion will not show for overall champion.

OUR VISION

A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSITIVE CHANGE
FSQA TRAINING IS REQUIRED FOR ANY YOUTH PLANNING TO SHOW RABBITS, POULTRY, DAIRY, GOATS, BEEF, SWINE, & SHEEP (BOTH MARKET AND BREEDING CLASSES) AT THE JASPER COUNTY OR IOWA STATE FAIR.

If you missed this training/testing and are in grades 7th through 12th you will need to call Stacey at the Extension & Outreach Office, at 641 792 6433 to make arrangements to take the test. If you are in grades 4th through 6th you will need to make arrangements to take this training at another county. We can help you with that as well. There are only a few dates left so don’t put it off.

EQUINE EXPERIENCE

The Equine Experience club will begin meeting on May 13th. These are mounted meetings but everyone is welcome with or without a horse. Remember, helmets are required as well as all appropriate riding gear when riding the horses at the Equine Experience meetings and 4-H Fairs.

Equine Experience club arena practices in Colfax are scheduled as follows: May 13th, May 27th, June 10th, June 24th, and July 8th.

Equine Experience Horse Show @Colfax: Saturday, June 18th (see enclosed show bill)

For more Equine Experience info visit their Facebook page – Jasper County Equine Experience Club

CANINE CONNECTION

The Canine Connection Club are having dog class Wednesday and Thursday evenings, starting at 6:00 pm at the Jasper County Fairgrounds in Colfax. You are encouraged to bring your dog to these meetings and you should have a properly fitted training chain and a six foot lead for the classes. If you’re not sure your chain fits properly, Tammi or Natalie can help you with this.

A spaghetti dinner fundraiser is scheduled for June 4th, from 5 to 7 in the 4-H building at the fairgrounds. If you are signed up in the dog project area you are asked to help in some way, even if you can’t help the night of the dinner. This fundraiser will fund awards for the show and hopefully allow us to purchase some new agility equipment. For more information contact Tammi at 515-554-0417 or Natalie at 641-521-6595. Follow them on Facebook at Jasper County 4-H Canine Connection.
HORSE & MULE SHOW

DATE: June 11, 2016
TIME: 10:00 AM
LOCATION: HOLMDAHL PARK-KELLOGG, IOWA
ENTRY FEE: $1.00 PER NUMBER, $2.00 PER CLASS

1. COSTUME CLASS - OPEN
2. RIDE A BUCK
3. WALK TROT 12 & UNDER
4. WALK TROT - OPEN
5. LEAD IN 8 & UNDER
6. CANDY BAR RACE - OPEN
7. KEYHOLE - OPEN
8. BARREL CRAWL – OPEN
9. CATALOG RACE - OPEN
10. PANYHOSE RACE 12 & UNDER
11. PANTYHOSE RACE – OPEN
12. DIZZY BAT - OPEN
13. EGG RACE - OPEN
14. TEDDY BEAR 8 & UNDER
15. BARRELS 12 & UNDER
16. BARRELS – OPEN
17. FLAG RACE 12 & UNDER
18. FLAG RACE - OPEN
19. POLES 12 & UNDER
20. POLES - OPEN
21. POP RACE – OPEN
22. PICK-UP RACE - OPEN

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SHERMAN SUNBEAMS 4-H CLUB.
FOOD STAND WILL BE AVAILABLE
NOT RESPONSIBLE IN CASE OF ACCIDENTS
CAMPING ON GROUNDS
HAVE THE RIGHT TO COMBINE OR ELIMINATE CLASSES
MORE INFO CALL: JILL TITUS 641-521-2265
HELMETS ENCOURAGED, BUT NOT REQUIRED!
4-H & FFA HORSE SHOW
Saturday, June 18th, 2016
Jasper County Fairgrounds, Colfax, Iowa
State 4-H & FFA Rules apply, including attire (helmets required), and armband.
Office opens at 8 am / Show begins promptly at 9 am
Concessions available for breakfast and lunch

UPDATES/CANCELLATION posted on our Facebook page - Jasper County Equine Experience
Questions: call or text Alex @ 641-417-9989

ENTRY FEES: $3/class or $15/all day / $10 per jackpot class (no refunds)
Ribbons for all classes / Jackpot classes payback
Judge: Nikki Ferwerda, Grand Junction, IA

NOTES: Queen contest participants must be an active member in the Equine Experience club, participating at least half of the weekly arena practices. For any classes with junior/int/senior divisions, the judge/show committee reserves the right to combine classes with minimal entries. High Point will be calculated from an accumulation of points from the division-specific classes only. High Point eligible - same horse & rider combination.

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4-H Divisions: Juniors: 4th - 6th grade / Intermediate: 7th & 8th grade / Senior: 9th - 12th grade (FFA)
Junior QUEEN: Contestant must be 10-15 years old, determined as of January 1, 2016
Senior QUEEN: Contestant must be 16-26 years old, determined as of January 1, 2016
Goat & Sheep Fitting Workshop

May 22nd

@ the Show Pavilion on the Marion County Fairgrounds

If you are new to showing goats and sheep, this is the workshop for you. Learn from experienced 4-Hers about how they have grown and excelled within the meat goat and sheep projects.

Learn how to properly fit your goat or sheep for show. Get tips on how to work with your animal to be successful in showmanship classes. Get tips on the type of equipment and tools that you should include in your show box to bring to fair.

Please RSVP by May 18th by calling the Marion County Extension Office.

(641)842-2014

Goat Fitting & Showing will begin @ 2 p.m.

Sheep Fitting & Showing will begin @ 3 p.m.
Marion County Cattlemen present

THE RED ROCK CLASSIC
AN IJBBA SANCTIONED SHOW

SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2016
MARION COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, KNOXVILLE, IA

Show Schedule
8-10:00 AM - Check-in
11:00 - Showmanship
12:00 - Show begins

Judge
Tyler Krug

Important Information
Breed & health papers required at check-in.
Pre-entries must be accompanied with money.
Pre-entry fee: $25/hd.
Show-day entry fee: $35/hd.

Prizes
Prizes for class winners.
Awards for breed winners.
$200 for overall grand champion.
T-shirt for all exhibitors.

For more information, contact:

Justine Stevenson
P: 563.542.4325 | E: justinehstevenson@gmail.com
Ross Williams
P: 641.891.8119

Kirn Stevenson
P: 641.218.6130
Dustie Tibboel
P: 641.891.9489

Derek Just
P: 641.218.8737
Casey Gerhardt
P: 816.830.9302

Exhibitor Name: ____________________________
Address: ___________________________________
Email Address: ______________________________
Phone: _____________________________________

Sex: _____ Breed: ___________________________ B/D: ____________
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Market Heifers: (# head) ______  T-shirt Size: ____________

Mail Pre-entry form with money to:
Justine Stevenson
1539 80th Ave,
Knoxville, IA 50138

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY SATURDAY, MAY 1 TO BE CONSIDERED A PRE-ENTRY!
Make checks payable to Marion County Cattlemen.