



WE ARE OPEN

JUST NOT FOR WALK-INS

Still Serving You Through COVID-19

This month has definitely been one for the history books! We're wishing the entire Jones County 4-H family all the best through this difficult time.

We have now been notified by our state office that we are to cancel/postpone/hold virtually any Extension events until May 9th (this is an extension from the original April 4th date). We will continue communication with you about learning opportunities, as well as the current status of events.

Our office is closed to the public, but Shawnee and Jennifer will be in the office daily from 8:30-11:30 a.m. to answer phones or get things ready for you to pick up, if needed. Our door is still going to be locked, so please call and let us know if you are coming. Otherwise, we will be working remotely and will be available via email or Jennifer's cell - 319-213-5484.

4-H Event Status Updates

Canceled Events:

- Swine Weigh-In (4/4)
- YQCA Bus Trip (4/10)
- Omaha Zoo Trip (4/17-18)
- Sheep & Goat Weigh-In (4/25)
- Dog Workshops (4/21, 5/5)
- Tech Team Meetings (4/16, 4/30)

Holding Virtually:

- Horticulture Workshop (new date: April 9 @ 1pm)
- Horse Workshops (4/18, 4/29, 5/6, 5/9 - will be supplemented with electronic information)
- Pre-Fair Leaders Meeting (5/7)

Postponed:

- Rabbit Workshop (new date: 5/18 @ 6pm)
- Pet Workshop (new date TBD)
- Clothing Event (new date: 5/31 @ 1pm)
- Communications Event (new date: 6/20 @ 2pm)

Leaders - Virtual Mtg. May 7th

Our Pre-Fair Leaders Meeting will be held Thursday, May 7, at 6 p.m. We will do this meeting virtually, so watch your email for the link. We will work with each club to get your packet of fair materials to you.





Wow! This time has flown by and I'm sad to be leaving you all! I will definitely miss the entire Jones County 4-H family — you are all amazing and have been incredible in the time I've been your CYC. I look forward to watching the Jones County 4-H program grow and take on new opportunities for all its incredible and talented youth!

I want to thank each and every one of you — from volunteers, committee members, club leaders, parents, 4-H alumni, youth, fair board members and staff. During my time here, I have made countless amazing memories and friendships that I will continue to hold dear.

While I'm excited to start a new chapter in my life at my family dairy farm, please know you will all be greatly missed.

Here's to continuing "To Make the Best Better!"

- Molly Schmitt



Clothing Event - NEW DATE!!

The 4-H Clothing Event (originally scheduled for May 2) is now postponed to **Sunday, May 31, beginning at 1 pm.**

Communication Event - NEW DATE!!

The 4-H Communication Event is now postponed to **Sunday, June 20, at 2 p.m.**

Entry forms for these events are now **due May 15, 2020**, and are available at www.extension.iastate.edu/jones/4h



Fair & Event Deadline Breakdown

April 15

- 4-H Animal Science Roundup (June 30-July 2) Applications Due

May 1

- Market Broiler Order Forms Due
- Season Exhibitor Pass Form Due (*Leaders*)

May 15

- 4hOnline Project Area Enrollment Deadline (Ex.: Swine, Beef, Photography, Visual Arts)
- Clothing Event Forms Due
- Communication Event Forms Due
- 4-H Jr. Camp (3-6th grade) Registrations Due
- 4-H Jr. Adventure Camp Shalom (4-6th grade) Registrations Due

June 1

- All Livestock Identifications Completed and Verified Via 4hOnline
- Animals Housed Off Home Farm Form Due
- Horse Lease Agreement Form Due
- Swine Premise ID Number Due
- Iowa 4-H Youth Conference (June 30-July 2) Registration Deadline

July 1

- Iowa State Fair Livestock & Horticulture Entries Due Via FairEntry
- YQCA Certif. (Online or In-Person) Deadline
- Report Forms Due for Bucket/Bottle, Cat and Other Animal
- Working Exhibit Report Forms Due
- Jones County 4-H/FFA Livestock & F.A.S.T. Entries Due Via FairEntry
- Copy of Dog Vaccinations Submitted

July 10

- Final Day to Pay Livestock Stalling Fees

CANCELLED



Swine, Sheep & Goat Weigh-Ins Canceled

On March 26, the state 4-H office announced all weigh-ins must be canceled due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns. Due to the canceling of weigh-ins, our swine, sheep and goat shows will have no rate of gain (derby) classes at the 2020 Great Jones County Fair. Information about new tagging and identification procedures are being sent to members enrolled in these project areas. Information will also be posted to our website.



YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) certifications are **due by July 1, 2020** for those 4-H & FFA exhibitors wanting to show the following livestock species at the Great Jones County Fair or the Iowa State Fair.

- Pigs
- Sheep
- Goats
- Poultry
- Beef Cattle
- Dairy Cattle
- Market Rabbits

You can take the YQCA training two ways:

1) **ELECTRONIC**

Take YQCA online any time before July 1. Online training costs \$12 annually per youth. To do so, make an account or log on using your 4hOnline information here: <http://yqca.org/>.

2) **FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING**

Devan is certified to lead face-to-face trainings for all age levels. She has one date/location remaining for 2020 in-person trainings. Face-to-face training is only \$3 annually per youth! Check out the Facebook event for details and online registration instructions.

- Monday, June 15, 2020
1-2:30 p.m.
Anamosa High School



Market Broiler/Roaster Orders Due May 1

To participate in the 2020 Great Jones County Fair Market Broiler/Roaster Futurity/Pen of 3 Class as part of the 4-H/FFA Poultry Show, make sure you submit the order form for your chicks by **May 1**.

Visit www.extension.iastate.edu/jones/news/4-hffa-market-broiler-orders-due-may-1-2020 to download the order form and the full letter with details.

Cost is \$1.50 per bird, which includes the cost of banding.

Mandatory Poultry Workshop & Bird Banding - June 20, 2020

Pullorum testing for 2020 fairs has been waived until 2021 due to shortage of pullorum antigen (like last year).



During the morning on Saturday, June 20, we will hold MANDATORY bird banding/identification and mites/lice inspections. We will also hold a mandatory workshop this day mid-morning.

This is **REQUIRED** to show at the Great Jones County Fair. Contact jenfisch@iastate.edu if you cannot make this work or with questions.

You do **NOT** need to bring any broiler/roaster birds to this day; however, exhibitors must still attend the workshop.





Virtual Horticulture Workshop

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Join us for a virtual horticulture workshop hosted by Brooke Paulsen, a member of the Jones County Master Gardeners!

Thursday, April 9, 2020 | 1:00 p.m.

This workshop is educational for grades K-12!

Topic: Things we can do while social distancing & isolating in our homes!

- Seed Starting
- Soil Health/Compost
- Plant Propagation
- Ideas for Spring Garden Clean-Up

To join the workshop, follow the below Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://cornellcollege.zoom.us/j/834439669>

AT HOME LEARNING RESOURCES



Go on a learning adventure! Iowa 4-H is committed to serving Iowa youth and their families through research-based learning opportunities.

A collection of 4-H resources K-12 youth can use to explore topics of interest while at home is available on the Iowa 4-H website.

Go to the direct link for a huge list of vetted resources:

www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/4h-at-home-learning-resources



Horticulture Club Challenge Great Jones County Fair

This year, the Jones County Master Gardeners want to try a theme for the traditional club garden challenge (previously flower pots or pallet gardens).

This year's theme will be "**What was old is new again.**" As your club begins planning, consider the below judging guidelines.

- The pot/container for the group's entry should be an old/found object, or it could include something old/primitive/antique within it as a decoration. Potential ideas could be a cast iron pot, an old wash basin, an old chicken waterer, etc.
- The groups should incorporate at least three different types of plants (could be types of flowers, vegetables, herbs, or a combination of the three).
- To fit with the theme, heirloom or heritage varieties would be a great choice (suggest looking at places like Seed Savers to find those types of seeds).
- To fit with the theme, Iowa native varieties would be also appropriate.



Upcoming Events for 4-Hers and Families

Please contact the office with any questions you have regarding upcoming events and activities. Let us know if you would like more information on anything mentioned. We also welcome any ideas you have for future events! Check Facebook & our website for more upcoming dates.

5/1	Broiler Project Chick Orders Due
5/7	Pre-Fair Leaders Meeting (virtual)
5/11	Dog Workshop, 6-7:30 p.m.
5/15	Clothing Event Forms Due
5/15	Communication Event Forms Due
5/15	4hOnline Project Enrollments Due
5/20	Horse Workshop, 6-7:30 p.m.
5/23	Hose Workshop, 8:30-10 a.m.
5/24	Brunch Club Meeting, 4-5:30 p.m.
5/24	County Council Meeting, 5-6 p.m.
5/27	Dog Workshop, 6-7:30 p.m.
5/28	FairEntry Help Night, 6-8 p.m.
5/31	Clothing Event, 1 p.m.
6/1	Animal Identification Deadline
6/2	Dog Workshop, 6-7:30 p.m.
6/3	Horse Workshop, 6-7:30 p.m.
6/8-6/11	Junior 4-H Camp @ Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
6/10	Broiler/Roaster Chick Pickup
6/12/6/13	Jr. Adventure Camp @ Camp Shalom
6/13	Horse Workshop, 8:30-10 a.m.
6/15	YQCA Face-to-Face Training, Anamosa HS
6/20	Mandatory Poultry Workshop & Mites/Lice Testing, morning
6/20	Communication Event, 2 p.m.
6/25	Performance Beef Show
6/30-7/2	Iowa 4-H Youth Conference @ Ames
7/1	FairEntry deadline (county & state fair)
7/1	YQCA Certification Deadline
7/17	New Member Fair Orientation
7/20	FAST Judging Day



Iowa 4-H Youth Conference

The Iowa 4-H Youth Conference will be held June 30-July 2. Each year, almost 900 teenagers converge on the campus of Iowa State University for 3 days full of speakers, workshops, mixers, dances, a banquet, and community service activities.

If you've completed 8th grade, you're eligible to attend. This is also open to non-4-H members, so invite your friends. Conference Registration is due June 1. You can learn more here: www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference.

Animal Science ROUND-UP Track!

Held as part of Iowa 4-H Youth Conference, June 30-July 2, 2020. If you have a specific interest in animal science (Beef, Dairy, Horse, Poultry, Sheep, Swine, Goat (meat & dairy), you might want to consider this special, more in-depth track! **Application deadline is April 15, 2020!!** Learn more here: www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/animalscienceroundup.



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JUNIOR CAMP

Are you ready for an amazing, fun-filled week at Junior 4-H Camp??

**Pack your bags and join other 4-H members at
Camp lo-Dis-E-Ca near Solon, Iowa, from June 8-11, 2020!**

4-6th graders are invited to spend 4 days and 3 nights at camp for LOTS of fun adventures! Again this year, we're inviting 3rd graders to join us for the last night to experience camp! Check out these example activities for each age group:

3rd Graders

Join the 4-6th graders on the last night of camp! Enjoy swimming, games, campfire stories and art projects!

Cost: \$50*
June 10-11, 2020

4-6th Graders

Includes nightly campfires, swimming, climbing wall, night hikes, cabin games and much more!

Cost: \$195*
June 8-11, 2020

6th Graders

6th-grade experiences may include swimming, canoe trip, ziplining, horseback riding and more!

Cost: \$235*
June 8-11, 2020

** These prices reflect a \$50 scholarship for Jones County youth.*

For 4-6th graders, camp starts Monday, June 8, with campers arriving by 6 p.m. 3rd graders will arrive and join camp between 2-3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10. All campers will wrap up Thursday, June 11, with camper pick-up at 6 p.m.

To register and reserve your spot, please submit the completed registration form and payment to your County Extension and Outreach office by Friday, May 15.

Space is limited, so register today! Fee includes all meals, lodging and camp activities for each age group (see above).



JUNIOR CAMP

2020 4-H Junior Camp Registration Form

Submit completed form along with registration fee to Jones County Extension and Outreach, 800 N. Maple St., Monticello, IA 52310, by Friday, May 15.

Youth Name: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____

County: _____ Parent Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Contact Email: _____

Grade completed by Summer of 2020:

3rd grade 4th grade 5th grade 6th grade

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Relationship to Youth: _____

Emergency Contact Phone Number: _____

Further information, including a schedule overview, packing list and other needed forms will be sent to registrants leading up to the event. See you at camp!!

For Office Use Only: Health Form Received Registration Fee Received

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4-H JUNIOR ADVENTURE CAMP

Friday, June 12-Saturday, June 13

CAMP SHALOM, MAQUOKETA, IOWA

Join other Junior 4-H members in grades 4th-6th, from Jackson, Clinton, Dubuque, Delaware, Jones, and Cedar counties for two days of camp. The camp includes canoeing, low ropes, swimming, Maquoketa cave tour, and other educational and fun activities! We will start on Friday, June 12, 1:00 p.m. and finish on Saturday, June 13, 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$60 includes three meals, overnight stay, snacks, and activities!



4-H Junior Adventure Camp — June 12 & 13 Registration Form

Registration Deadline is May 15th

Submit registration form along with \$60 registration fee to:

Jones County Extension Office, 800 N. Maple Street, Monticello, IA 52310

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone — Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

County _____ Grade completed _____ Male _____ Female _____

Email _____

Information about camp procedures will be emailed to participants unless you have no email.

The fees for service will be used to off-set direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development County Extension Program.

Where We Live

{ History of the Land }

4TH-8TH GRADE DAY-CAMP SERIES

WHO 4th through 8th graders (grade completed)

COST FREE, thanks to a grant from Theisen's

WHERE Meetings will be held at the Jones County ISU Extension and Outreach Office, 800 N. Maple St., Monticello, IA 52310.

The final meeting will include a bus trip. We'll depart and return to the Extension office that day.

WHEN Registered youth should plan to attend all of the below sessions to avoid missing information.

Session #1 — Tuesday, June 23, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Session #2 — Tuesday, July 7, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Session #3 — Thursday, July 30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Session #4 — Tuesday, Aug. 4, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Session #5 — Saturday, Sept. 19, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

SIGN UP To register for this 5-session day camp series, including our bus trip, you must **register no later than May 22**. Contact oswalds@iastate.edu or 319-465-3224 to sign up.

The Where We Live: History of the Land day-camp series connects the past to the present as youth learn about the history of Iowa's valuable natural resources through hands-on activities about rocks, prairies, grains, trees and animals.

This camp series will teach youth about food and land production through plants, animals, harvest, processing, distribution and marketing to the consumer. Learn about methods used to grow our food and protect our natural resources through soil conservation, water quality, pest management and animal care issues.



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