

Keokuk County 4-H Family Newsletter

November/December 2022



IMPORTANT DATES

- **November 6th:**
Awards Night
- **December 10th:**
Beef Weigh-in
- **March 1st:**
Spring Leaders Training
- **March 25th:**
Swine Weigh-In
- **May 6th:**
Sheep/Goat Weigh-In
- **May 15th:**
4-H Online Animal ID
- **June 1st: (Tentative)**
FairEntry Opens
- **July 1st:**
FairEntry Due
- **July 9th-16th :**
Expo Fair

Welcome our new 4-H Youth Outreach Educator, Joselyn Abell!

Joselyn Abell is a Keokuk County 4-H alumni where she was very active in showing swine and beef. Joselyn was also very active and helpful as a County Council Member during her time as a 4-Her.

Joselyn will be finishing her Business Specialist degree from Indian Hills this winter, and is excited to give back to her community through 4-H!

She will begin as the 4-H Youth Outreach Educator on Monday, October 24th. You may contact her at jabell@iastate.edu.

Please help us welcome Joselyn!



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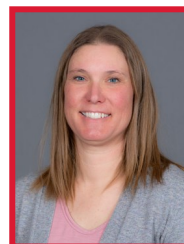
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Have you enrolled in 4-H for the new year?!

Whether you are youth needing to enroll in 4-H, Clover Kids, or an adult volunteer, now is the time to enroll for the 2022-23 year!

- ◇ Enroll now at <https://v2.4honline.com>
- ◇ Online enrollment help can be found on our website at www.extension.iastate.edu/keokuk/join-4-H
- ◇ Youth and volunteers should be enrolled on 4-H online before attending a 4-H meeting or event.
- ◇ Have any questions? Contact the Keokuk County Extension Office at (641) 622-2680.



Awards Night

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH AT 6PM
AT THE KEOKUK COUNTY EXPO HALL

-Families—please bring a side dish to share!

-Meat, drinks, desserts, and table service will be provided

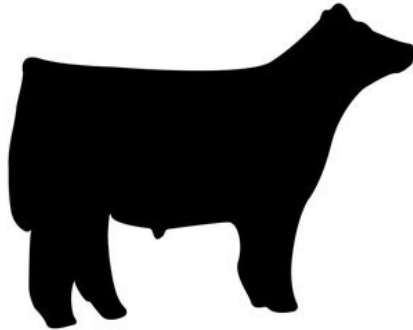
-County Council will be providing desserts

Please RSVP at: <https://form.jotform.com/222893372258060>



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 **SAVE THE DATE** 
Livestock Weigh-Ins



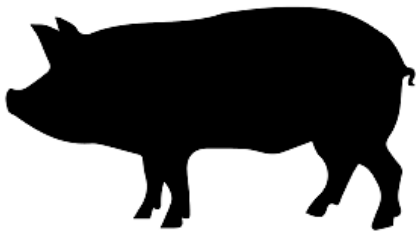
Beef Weigh-In

Saturday, December 10th

8am-10am

at the Keoco Auction Sale Barn

- A maximum of 10 calves can be weighed in per exhibitor
- A maximum of 5 calves can be brought to the Keokuk County Expo Fair and 5 at the Iowa State Fair
- Any 4-H Bucket Bottle Calves shown in 2022 planning to show as a Return Bucket Bottle (breeding or market) must attend weigh-in.
- State Fair Scanning \$8/head
- Out of county state fair scanning is \$16/head
- If you plan to attend an out-of-county weigh-in, please contact the Extension Office (641) 622-2680 for tags and additional information (other counties may have a cost different than ours).



Swine Weigh-In

Saturday, March 25th, 2023

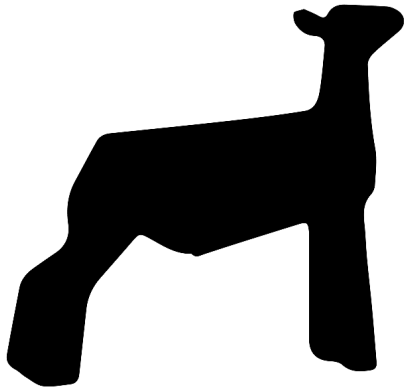
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at the Keokuk County Fairgrounds

- Only swine that are going to show in the Derby or Farm Class in the 2023 Swine Show must attend weigh-in. However, all swine will need to be ear notched and tagged. We encourage all swine exhibitors to bring their swine to weigh-in
- Stay tuned for more swine weigh-in information in our next newsletter!



Weigh-Ins Continued



Sheep and Goat Weigh-In

Saturday, May 6th
8am-10am
at the Keokuk County Expo Fairgrounds

Stay tuned for more information on the sheep and goat weigh-in in upcoming newsletters!

4-H Opportunities Outside of Keokuk County

Register for the 2022-2023 Iowa 4-H Camera Corps

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/iowa-4-h-camera-corps>

State Recognition Opportunities – applications due February 1st

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/recognition-opportunities>

SAVE THE DATE: 2023 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference> June 27-June 29 Iowa State University in Ames, IA



4-H SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Autumn Belvel



Autumn is the daughter of Chad and Emily Belvel of Sigourney and has two younger sisters; Makenzie and Brianna. Autumn holds an officer position as president for the Stick-To-It 4-H Club and also serves on County Council.

Throughout Autumn's years in 4-H she has participated in photography, food and nutrition, sewing and needle arts, home improvement, woodworking, ag science, beef, bucket bottle, poultry, horticulture, visual arts, clothing and fashion, communication and working exhibits.

Autumn's favorite 4-H memory would be when she first started 4-H and going to all the shows at the fair, showing her bucket bottle calves and then growing up and showing heifers and steers as it was always fun to get into the show world of things.

While in school, Autumn had also participated in softball, basketball, track, FFA, Student Council, and the Expo Queen Contest. Outside of 4-H, you can find her working as an intern at the Keota Vet Clinic, or participating in youth group for Sigourney's United Methodist Church and Girls Scouts.

Some of her favorite things include:

Snacks: chips & salsa, zebra cakes, and Oreos

Drink: Mt. Dew and sparkling ice

Movie: Spirit

Vacation she has taken: Gult Shores, Alabama

After graduation, Autumn plans to attend Iowa State University and study Vet Tech, Vet, or Ag Business. We wish Autumn the best for the remainder of her senior year and her future plans!



Kylee Reed



Kylee Reed is the daughter of Ryan and Lana Reed of Ottumwa, and has two brothers Conner and Colt. Kylee is a 9-year active 4-H member in the Patriotic Panthers Club where she has served as the Vice-President, Secretary, and Parliamentarian. As a 4-Her, Kylee has participated in projects to include beef, swine, photography, woodworking, and horticulture. Her favorite memory in 4-H is when she won Grand Champion Breeding Heifer at the Best of the Best Show in 2019!

Outside of school and 4-H, you can find Kylee working cattle, working on her family's farm, interning at the Keota Vet Clinic, babysitting, baking, or being with her friends and family. While in school, Kylee has been active in participating in basketball, volleyball, track, Sigourney FFA, Agri-Power FFA, Iowa Junior Angus Association, Minihereford Association, Key Club, Student Council, County Council, National Honors Society

Some of her favorite things include:

Snacks: cucumbers and barbeque chips

Drink: vitamin water

Movie: The Parent Trap

Vacation she has taken: Denver, Colorado showing cattle

Next fall, Kylee plans to attend Iowa State University to become a veterinarian. We look forward to watching Kylee grow as a senior 4-Her and seeing where her path takes her! Best of luck, Kylee!



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Keokuk County 2023 4-H Calendars!

The Keokuk Kind Clover Kids are selling 2023 4-H/Clover Kids Calendars! These calendars will list important monthly dates such as weigh-ins, fair deadlines, and events! And will include pictures of our county 4-H and Clover Kids program!

Contact the Extension Office to order yours today!

(641) 622-2680 or e-mail

Katharina Bain at kbain@iastate.edu



Calendars are \$20 each!

Deadline to order is December 10th.

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