Upcoming Dates

April 3 —————————— Teen County Council Meeting
April 8-13 —————————— Extension Week
April 13 —————————— Share-A-Calf Workshop
April 15 —————————— STEM Program at Keokuk Library
April 24 —————————— Planting the Summer Garden
April 27 —————————— Sheep and Meat Goat Weigh In
May 5 —————————— Succulent Workshop
May 8 —————————— Teen County Council Meeting
May 15 —————————— 4-H Online Deadline
May 16 —————————— FairEntry Opens

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Lee County 4H Iowa
2019 Scholarships

Calling all 2019 Seniors looking for scholarships!! We have had scholarships rolling into the office here lately. We have copies in the office or they are posted on our website. Follow the link below and scroll down to 2019 Scholarships. We will update the link as we get scholarships in as well as put them in the newsletter. We have Lee County Pork Producers, SE IA Final Drive and Lee County Fair Scholarships at the moment.

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/lee/page/member-info

STEM Program

Lee County Extension and Keokuk Public Library are teaming up to bring you an hour and a half of STEM programming on Monday, April 15th from 3-4:30PM. Call the Extension Office for more information.

Iowa 4-H Camera Corps

Do you like taking pictures? Want to practice your photography skills, receiving public recognition and juror feedback on your work? Then Iowa Camera Corps is for you. Check out the link below for more information on how to join.

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

Succulent Workshop

We will be having a succulent workshop on Sunday, May 5th from 1-2:30 PM at Jim’s Greenhouse. Jamie Kramer of Jim’s Greenhouse will be helping 4-Her’s put together a mini garden that you will be able to enter into the Art Hall. She will also go over care of the plants. Breana will have papers there for the art hall that you can fill out that day and have one project ready for fair. Please bring a smaller container for your garden and feel free to get creative and bring an old kid boot, tea cup, small wagon or dump truck, etc!! Show off your fun side. There is a cost of $25 associated with this for 5 plants and dirt. You are welcome to purchase more plants that day. Spots are limited for this workshop. Please call the Extension Office today to sign up today 319-835-5116.

Spring Leaders Meeting

It’s that time of year again to have a meeting about our upcoming fair and the changes that are coming to the fair book. We will also highlight some upcoming opportunities and details for the kids leading up to fair. Our meeting will be Wednesday, May 1st at 6 PM.

From the Desk of the CYC: April is here. Spring is right around the corner. Sheep and meat goat weigh-ins are upon us. Fair is 3 months away. I hope you are all looking and thinking ahead to this. Many projects including art hall, communications, fashion, share the fun and working exhibits can be started on now before the weather gets nice. We have some exciting workshops coming up. If you are interested please call the Extension Office today to get on the list. Spots are limited for most of the opportunities so get yours reserved today. If you are a Clover Kid don’t forget to check out your section. Don’t forget to recruit for 4-H!! Keep it up Lee County 4-H!! As always don’t forget if you have any questions or concerns, I will be here if anyone needs anything. Feel free to contact me. ~Breana

Planting Summer Garden

Needing Volunteer Hours? We are planting the Summer Garden Camp on Wednesday, April 24th at 2 PM at the Lee County Conservation Office. Come join the fun, get a little dirty and earn volunteer hours.
Upcoming Activities for Clover Kids

Clover Kids are welcome to attend the STEM program at the Keokuk public library on Monday, April 15th from 3-4:30 PM. You are welcome to call the Extension Office for more information about this.

Fun Activity

April Showers Bring.........

You will need:

- Construction Paper  
- Scissors  
- Cotton Balls  
- Glue  
- Googly eyes  
- Green Crayon for the grass  
- Flower shaped buttons, flower shaped stickers or flowers out of construction paper

How to:

- Use light blue construction paper and glue on cotton balls for a cloud  
- Add googly eyes and mouth to the cloud  
- Color the grass at the bottom, use blue paper and cut out raindrops  
- Use buttons, sticker or construction paper and glue for flowers in the grass.
Sheep/Meat Goat Weigh-In

Sheep and Meat Goat weigh-in will be held at the Lee County Fairgrounds on Saturday, April 27 from 9 AM to 11 AM. Please contact the Extension Office at 319-835-5116 to schedule a time to weigh-in your sheep/goats. All State Fair animals will need to be retinal scanned. Tags will be $2.00 each, retinal scanning will be $10.00 per animal and a maximum of 10 head may be identified per exhibitor.

Pullorum-Typhoid Testing

All poultry exhibited must come from U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flocks, or have had a negative Pullorum Typhoid test within 90 days of public exhibition and the test must have been performed by an authorized tester. Types of birds that need to be tested: poultry (domestic fowl as egg-type chickens and meat-type chickens), turkeys, domestic waterfowl, domestic game birds, pheasants, exhibition poultry. Ostriches, rheas, cassowaries and emus are also required to be tested. The Extension Office will NOT be hosting a Pullorum testing night this year. You will need to contact one of the following certificated PT testers in our county to arrange a time to have your birds tested.

- Angela Bell (West Point) - 319-371-5862
- Travis Bell (West Point) - 319-371-4969
- Mac Brodersen (Donnellson) - 319-470-6569

After birds are tested you will be in charge of making sure the Extension Office receives a copy of your Pullorum Test Form.

* IF YOUR BIRDS ARE NOT TESTED YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SHOW AT COUNTY FAIR! **

4-H Bucket Bottle Calves

- Must have been calved between 1/1/19 and 4/30/19.
- If purchased the calf must be purchased and in possession of member within 2 weeks of birth.
- Calf must be bucket or bottle fed, no nursing permitted after purchase.
- Calf/calves must be identified on 4-h online by May 15.
- An exhibitor may identify up to 3 calves. A maximum of only 2 calves may be exhibited at the fair. Only one calf will be eligible for a trophy. It is eligible to be shown only in the Bucket Bottle class.
- Class is open to any newborn or orphan heifer or male calf. Male calves may be shown as a bull or steer. All steer calves must be castrated by March 15.

Download a copy of the Bucket/Bottle Calf Record Book:
http://www.extension.iastate.edu/lee/page/prepare-fair
Lee County Multi-Species Fitting and Showmanship Clinic

New this year will be a Livestock Fitting and Showmanship Clinic! The Clinic will be on Sunday, June 9th at 5:30 PM. This is open to all Lee County 4-H Members! Species to be covered: Beef, Swine, Sheep, Meat Goats, Poultry & Rabbits. It will be held at the Lee County Fairgrounds! More details to come!!

2019 State Fair Changes

Breeding Beef - Required to have 2 forms of ID Tattoo & Registration #, Vaccination # or 4-H Tag

Horse - Halter Horse must be owned

Swine - Declared weight system; if tagged with USDA tags notches are not required

Meat Goats - Birth Dates required for all breeding animals; animals must arrive show ready, no clipping

Sheep - New pedigree wether dam class

YQCA online training must be completed by May 15th for all exhibitors showing beef, swine, sheep and dairy (both dairy cattle and dairy goat), meat goat, rabbit and poultry at the County/State Fair! If you have not already received your coupon code from your club leader please make sure to contact them as soon as possible.

IMPORTANT: If you did not use your 4-H Online login to take the YQCA training you will need to print your certificate and send it to Whitney Weisinger at the Extension Office or email it to weisinger@iastate.edu.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

MAY 15: All other animals, with the exception of pets and poultry, must be owned and identified by May 15 (rabbits must be identified by July 1). By the time of the weigh-in, the animal(s) must be cared for by the 4-H’er. All animals must be identified in 4H Online.

https://www.aksarbenstockshow.com/
2019 Dog Obedience Classes

Dog Obedience classes will be formatted differently this year. We plan on meeting 2 times a month starting in February and ending in June. The first 3-4 session will be conducted without dogs and be held inside at the Lee County Extension Office in Donnellson. If you intend on showing a dog at the Lee County Fair you must sign-up by calling the Extension Office at (319) 835-5116 so we can send you a schedule and packet in the mail.

Tentative Class Dates:
Feb. 3rd and 17th
Mar. 3rd and 17th
Apr. 14th and 28th
May 5th and 19th
Jun. 2nd and 16th

1st and 2nd year exhibitors will be from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM.
3rd year or more exhibitors will be from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

* Please remember that 1st and 2nd year exhibitors must attend 70% of classes and 3rd year or more exhibitors must attend 50% of classes. **

Share-A-Calf Workshop

We will be hosting a Share-A-Calf Workshop on Saturday, April 13 starting at 1:00 pm at the Lee County Fairgrounds Show Barn. This workshop is just for Share-A-Calf Exhibitors.

Please bring your calves to the workshop. We will focus on showmanship. If the weather is nice you will have a chance to wash your calves. If you have questions please feel free to contact the Extension Office at 319-835-5116.

2019 Lee County Fair Dates:
July 10-15

Iowa State Fair Swine DNA tags are now available at the Lee County Extension Office for those 4-H’ers who intend to show swine projects at the 2019 Iowa State Fair. This is a required swine identification for the Iowa State Fair exhibitors. Tags can be purchased at the Extension Office for $8. DNA tags must be returned to the Extension Office by May 8.

This detailed handbook is a guide for 4-H’ers, 4-H leaders, county extension staff, show managers, judges, and others responsible for conducting 4-H horse shows in Iowa.

We encourage all horse exhibitor families to read through these Rules and Regulations! If you would like a copy please contact the Extension Office at 319-835-5116.
YQCA Instructions:

1. Go to [vqca.org](http://vqca.org)

2. 4-H members will login with their 4hOnline credentials. FFA or other non-4-H members need to create a new login username and password.

   1. Upper right hand corner click in sign in/register
   2. 4-H’ers click on blue bar “sign in with 4honline”
   3. Then select Iowa 4-H Youth Development
   4. Log in with your 4honline log-in and password.
   5. Families with multiple children select which child will be testing. Only one child may test at a time.

6. Electronically sign consent twice for your child to take the online class.

7. Select what class your child will be taking. Every class says what age group it corresponds to.
   
   a. Example – To qualify for this class you must have turned 8 in the previous calendar year.

8. Click on the corresponding class.

9. In the upper right corner you will have to click “Purchase Course” in red.

10. Select your payment method

    a. Credit cards are currently accepted

11. You will then click go to course in red.

12. You then go through a knowledge builder and a skills lab for each of the three topics.

13. Both the knowledge builder and skills lab are interactive. Follow the instructions carefully and click through the presentations.

14. Following each skills lab is a quiz. The member is required to pass the quiz with an 80%

    a. If you don’t pass. You must wait one hour and try again.

15. Once all three quizzes are complete there will be a red bar at the top of the page that reads “Print Certificate”

16. Print your Certificate for your records!
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