Happy holiday season!

We are in preparing for spring and summer programming! Be sure to look for new programs!

At the back of the newsletter there is an exciting opportunity to purchase a 4-H camp for your young clover kids and 4-H members!! You can find the registration form on our website!

Beef Weigh-ins will be on December 15th at the fairgrounds from 12-2pm! We are looking forward to seeing the beginning of all of your projects!!

There is still time to enroll for 4-H and Clover Kids! There are 221 members enrolled right now!!

We hope that you have a great holiday season and stay safe!!

Sincerely,

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December

December 1  Youth Ambassadors | 5pm | Marshall County Extension Office
December 15 Beef Weigh-ins | 12-2pm | Central Iowa Fairgrounds
December 24 Office Closed Holiday
December 25 Office Closed Holiday

January

January 1 Office Closed Holiday
January 3 YQCA Face to Face Training | 9am-11am | Marshall County Extension Office
January 5 Youth Ambassadors | 5pm | Marshall County Extension Office
January 9 Annual Volunteer Training | 6pm-8pm | Marshall County Extension Office
January 10 Marshall County Youth Lock-in | 9pm-6pm | Marshalltown YMCA-YWCA
January 17 Day Out of School Camp for Marshalltown | 9am-5pm | Marshalltown Public Library
January 20 Day Out of School Camp for West Marshall | 9am-5pm | Gutekunst Public Library, State Center
January 30 Du Pont Pioneer Community Grant Due
January 30 Superintendents Meeting | 6pm | Marshall County Extension Office

February

February 1 Market Beef Verification Deadline | 11:59pm | 4-H Online
February 2 Youth Ambassadors | 5pm | Marshall County Extension Office

2020 Central Iowa Fair Animal Release Time:

New for the 2020 Fair: All livestock can be released on Saturday, July 11, 2020 one hour following the concert/entertainment for the evening. **There will be NO pre-staging of trailers.** Once the entertainment has concluded exhibitors are allowed to take LIVESTOCK ONLY home, **NO TACK will be released.** Exhibitors will be required to return on Sunday, July 12, 2020 at 7 am and before 8 am to load up their tack AND help with clean up of the barns/grounds

No Non-Livestock exhibits will be released at this time, they will still be released Sunday Morning after 7am.

Health Paper Requirements:

New for the 2020 fair all large animal species will be required to turn in a Certificate of Veterinarian Inspection (also known as a health form) at the time of animal check-in. Forms will be read by a veterinarian on site. Health papers must be acquired within 7 days of the first day of fair.

Animal species that will be required to turn health forms in will be: Beef, Dairy Cattle, Meat and Dairy Goat, Swine, Sheep. All other species will be examined by a vet during their arrival at fair.
Hygiene Drive:

Join the 2019-2020 Marshall County 4-H Youth Ambassadors as they collect hygiene products to donate to people in need in Marshall County. Please drop donations off between now and December 2nd at the ISU Extension Office in Marshalltown. Products can include, but not limited to:

- Wash Cloths
- Toothpaste
- Tooth Brushes
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Body Soap
- Deodorant
- Hair Combs
- Laundry Detergent
- Wet Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer
- Lotion
- Finger Nail Clippers

Beef Bits

Hello Beef Exhibitors - Beef Weigh In has been set for Sunday, Dec.15th from 12 noon to 2 pm at the Central Iowa Fairgrounds.

Cost will be $5 for county fair and $10 if nominating for state fair. Please keep in mind if you purchase a bred steer that you will need to have the sire name and registration number along with the steer tattoo number with you when you come to weigh in. The steer should be tattooed by then as well. If you have any questions, please let the beef committee know.

Central Iowa Classic Show – Coming to the Central Iowa Fairgrounds. Saturday, May 2

Marshall and Tama County Youth Lock-in:

On January 10th join 4-H members and friends at the Marshalltown YMCA/YQCA for a Lock-in! We will get to swim, do fun games, and even complete a community service project! This is open to ALL youth in 4-8th grade so bring a friend along!!

Youth Ambassadors Spotlights:

Jessley Ash is a member of the Haverhill Hustlers and Co-President of the Marshall County Youth Ambassadors. She is a Senior at West Marshall. Jessley has been active in FFA, volleyball, track, bowling statistician, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Elementary mentoring, and trap shooting. Jessley has shown Meat Goats for the last 9 years at the fair and says her favorite memory from showing at our fair was winning Supreme Showmanship in 2017. One goal Jessley has for this 4-H year is to meet more 4-H’ers and teach people them about the leadership opportunities Marshall County 4-H offers. Jessley's future plans are to go to an in-state college to pursue her trap shooting career and study to become a Pediatric Nurse.

Nicolle Donnelly is the vice president for Liscomb Lively Laborers and the Marshall County Youth Ambassadors co-president. She is a sophomore at Grinnell High School. She is heavily involved in her FFA chapter, livestock judging, student council, and volleyball. She shows cattle, sheep, rabbits, chickens and brings non-livestock projects to fair as well. Her future plans include going to Iowa State to become an agricultural teacher. A goal she has for this year is to widen her communication skills through talking to new people.
Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarships Open November 20th

These scholarships are not only available for high school seniors but some are also available for college students! Instructions, helpful hints, and a complete list of scholarships can be found here.

Iowa 4-H Camera Corps:

The Iowa 4-H Camera Corps is a group where 4-H members with an interest in photography can explore their interest. If you are interested you can still apply online to be a part of the 2019-2020 Iowa 4-H Camera Corps. Contact Megan if you have any questions or are interested in joining.

Pop Tabs for Jacy Service Project:

The 2019-2020 State 4-H Council wants to carry on Jacy McAlexander’s legacy by continuing to collect pop tabs from around the state in his honor. Check out the Pop Tabs for Jacy flyer to find out more about Jacy’s legacy and details of the program. Counties can collect pop tabs and bring them to the Youth Conference check-in on Tuesday, June 30, or choose to drop them off at the state office anytime between now and then.

* Marshall County would like to challenge 4-H clubs to collect pop tabs from now until June 29th. The club with the most pop tabs turned in will receive $50.00 to shop on the 4-H Mall!!

Servers needed for House Of Compassion:

Is your 4-H Club looking for a Community Service Project? The House Of Compassion is in need of groups to provide meals. They are looking for groups all the time to serve. If your club is interested please contact March at the House of Compassion at 641-752-5999.

Poultry Place:

The LeRoy Stewart Poultry Scholarship is now open. Applications will be available to Marshall County 4H/FFA seniors. There will be one $300 scholarship available. Please contact Renee Anagnos at 641-691-5436 or renee'anagnos@yahoo.com for an application. All applications must be completed by February 1, 2020. Good Luck!

Thank you to all the poultry kids and parents for a successful bake sale at Theisens on Saturday November 23, 2019. Also we did great at the holiday stroll on Saturday with our Hot Chocolate Sundaes and cookies. We were asked to come back next year and do it all over again.

Tri County Camp:

Liscomb 4-H Club Fundraiser:
Iowa 4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors:
Interested in a leadership experience where you can help make a healthy change in your community? Apply to be a 4-H Healthy Living Ambassador!

As an ambassador, you will work together with fellow Iowa Healthy Living Ambassadors to create projects that you can implement back in your region to help youth and families lead healthy lifestyles through:
- Assessing community’s health profile to identify issues to address
- Trying and preparing nutritious foods
- Being active together
- Spreading awareness for social & emotional health

To Find more information visit: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa-4-h-healthy-living-ambassadors

Buy a 4-H Camp for Christmas this year!!

This is a great opportunity for grandparents, aunts and uncles, and parents as a great gift for your 4-H’er and relatives!!

Find the printable form on our website! Please help us spread the word!!

Dog Obedience Meeting Requirement:

New for the 2020 fair, 4-H and FFA members who wish to show at county fair will be required to attend a minimum of three dog classes. These classes are held from the end of April until fair time. If you are not able to attend the classes please contact Erin Calkins Dog Superintendent prior to the fair entry deadline.

Liscomb 4-H to Hold Bake Sale:

Liscomb 4-H Club will be holding a bake sale at Theisen's on December 21st from 8am-12pm.