Spring is almost here, and that means we are getting even closer to fair! Our 2018 fair theme has just been chosen. “Stirrup Some Fun at the 2018 Central Iowa Fair!” We have a lot of events and workshops planned. Please read through the newsletter carefully. A lot of these events will help you to get ready for fair.

Sincerely,

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DATES TO REMEMBER

February

February 1  State Recognition Award Applications due | 11:59pm
February 1  State 4-H Scholarships due | 11:59pm
February 1  Market Beef needs to be verified on 4-H Online | 11:59pm
February 10 Sheep Info Workshop | Marshall County Extension Office | 1:00-3:00pm
February 11 Youth Ambassadors | Marshall County Extension Office | 1:00pm
February 13 New Member Meeting | Marshall County Extension Office | 6:00-8:00pm
February 22 Mock Interviews for State Awards | 5:30-7:00pm | Marshall County Extension Office
February 28 IACE Legislative Trip | Des Moines | Departure time to be announced

March

March 4  Youth Ambassadors | Marshall County Extension Office | 5:00pm
March 12 Horse Committee | Marshall County Extension Office | 6:30pm
March 14 Healthy Living Workshop | State Center City Hall | 9:00am-3:00pm
March 20 Mock Interviews for State Awards | 5:30-7:00pm | Marshall County Extension Office
March 28 Legislation Trip | Des Moines | Depart 7:15am
March 31 Swine Weigh in | Tom Hemesath’s House | By appointment

April

April 7  4-H Palooza | Benton County Fairgrounds | 9:00am-3:00pm
April 8  Youth Ambassadors | Marshall County Extension Office | 5:00pm
April 11 FSQA Bus Trip | Iowa State University Campus | 7:00am-5:30pm
April 13-15 MAIZE | Iowa State Campus
April 19 Spring Leaders Meeting | Marshall County Extension Office | 6:00pm
April 28 Horticulture Workshop | Marshall County Extension Office | Time to be announced
Beef Bits
Best of luck to all Marshall County Beef Exhibitors that will be participating at the 2018 Iowa Winter Beef Expo!

-Jodi Brenniman
Marshall County Beef Committee

Sheep and Goat Project
Sheep and goat weigh in will be on May 6th at the fairgrounds. It will be held from 1:00pm-3:30pm. If you have any questions you can contact the sheep or goat committee.

-Sheep and Goat Committee

Sheep 101 Workshop
There will be a sheep workshop on February 10th from 1am-3pm. This workshop will be at the Marshall County Extension Office and will cover any information a new sheep showman would like to know. Register by February 7th to get a spot!

-Joe Baker
Sheep Superintendent

Marshall County Horse Project
The Marshall County Horse project welcomes all horse exhibitors to the Open 4-H Show on June 10th! More details to come as the event gets closer. Mark your calendars now!

-Michelle Kelber
Horse Superintendent

Tri-County Junior 4-H Camp Planning Meeting
Do you want to decide the 2018 Tri-County Junior Camp theme and some of the activities and meals? The planning meeting will be February 26th from 6:00 to 7:30 pm at the Boone County Extension and Outreach office, 1327 SE Marshall Street in Boone.
Youth in 4th-6th grades and teen counselors are invited to this meeting. Pizza will be provided. RSVP to Annette Brown, camp coordinator, if you plan to attend: annbrown@iastate.edu

-Annette Brown
Tri County Camp Coordinator

Hacks and Hounds
February 10, 10am at the Extension Office
March 10, 10am at the Extension Office
April 21, (note, this is not the 2nd Saturday) 10am Erin’s House
We will also begin Dog Agility Training April 21st at noon. Agility training will be scheduled on Saturdays at Erin’s house. Schedule of dates and more information to come.
We also discussed Dog Classes will begin on Tuesday April 24. More details to come.

-Erin Calkins & Rebecca Gimzo
Hacks and Hounds Club Leaders

Dog Obedience Class Hosted by Hacks and Hounds 4-H Club
Winter Obedience Classes are scheduled for current 4-H members and their dog projects.
February 3rd, 17th, and 24th at 11am
February 10th at 1pm following H&H meeting
March 3rd, 17th and 31st at 11am
April 14th 1pm following H&H meeting
April 21st 11am

Classes are held at the Family Pet Center
2412 Parker Ave, Marshalltown, IA 50158.
Proof of current Rabies and Distemper vaccinations required.
Contact Rebecca Gimzo (641) 750-4600 or Erin Calkins (641) 485-8548 for more information.

-Erin Calkins & Rebecca Gimzo
Dog Superintendents
Iowa State Fair Little Hands on the Farm Club Opportunity

Inviting your club or county to participate in a shift of volunteers! This would be a great team building activity. Receive admission ticket and vehicle permit along with a Little Hands on the Farm volunteer t-shirt! Contact Emily Wynn, Agriculture Education Coordinator at the Iowa State Fair.

Iowa 4-H Hall Of Fame

Applications for the 2018 Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame are now open! If you know of any 4-H Volunteers, either past or present, that have played a role in 4-H in Marshall County who deserve this honor, please email Megan at mehenry2@iastate.edu, for the application. Applications are due back to our office by May 15th, 2018. The recipient will be recognized on July 11th, at the Central Iowa Fair, as well as August 19th, at the Iowa State Fair.

State 4-H Scholarship

Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarships

2018 list of scholarships, eligibility, helpful hints, instructions, and applications are available online. Several scholarships are available for Marshall County 4-H members! Online deadline is 11:50pm, February 1st, 2018. If you need assistance Contact Mary Clancy, 712-830-1321.

Volunteer Training

4-H Volunteers who were not able to attend Annual Volunteer Training on January 18th need to contact Megan, mehenry2@iastate.edu, for the online alternative. This needs to be completed as soon as possible!

February 1st: Don’t forget it!!

February 1st is a very important date for 4-H members! Market Beef must be verified on 4-H Online by 11:59pm. The Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarship is due by 11:59pm as well. State Recognition Award Application, which include: state project awards, National 4-H Conference/Congress, and State 4-H Council are due. Please be talking to your 4-H Club leader or County office if you have any questions!

Horse Extravaganza

Registration for the 2018 Equine Extravaganza is now open!! The dates for the event this year are March 23rd-25th at Ellsworth Equestrian Center. Event topics include: Quiz bowl, Hippology, Public Speaking and Demonstration, Horseless Horse, Riding Clinic, Horse Judging. For the flyer and Registration please visit: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/equineextravaganza

Monarchs on the Move!

There is still time for youth grades 9th-12th to apply to be teen leaders for the National 4-H Monarchs on the Move Challenge! This is a great opportunity to gain leadership skills in a supportive environment while having fun. Youth just need to complete this short online application by Feb 2nd! Contact Maya Hayslett with questions. https://goo.gl/forms/2OcSSnYpnkUMDsWI1

4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl Competition

The 2018 Livestock Quiz Bowl Context will be on March 24th, at 10:30am on the ISU Campus!! The quiz bowl will include the following species: Beef, Goats, Sheep and Swine. For more information on the age divisions please see: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/quiz-bowl
Marshall County 4-H/FFA Scholarship Application Form

Applications are due April 6th of current year
Sponsored by the Central Iowa Fair Board

THREE (3) $1,000.00 Scholarships will be awarded with preference given to one female and one male applicant. Applicant must be a graduating senior and be a current, continuous and active 4-H/FFA Member in Marshall County.

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________
          (RR, Street or Box)  (City)  (State)  (Zip Code)

Phone: (____) ______________________ SS#: __________-________-________

Parents/Guardians Names: ____________________________________________

Parents/Guardians Address: ____________________________________________
          (RR, Street or Box/City/State/Zip Code)

High School: ____________________________________________
          (Name)  (City)

Date of Graduation: _________________ 4-H/FFA Club: _________________ Yrs. In 4-H/FFA: __________

College, University or Trade School you plan to attend: ____________________________________________
          (Name)
          (School mailing Address, City & State)

          Area of Study: ____________________________________________

1. List your Leadership experiences in your 4-H/FFA Club, your school, your community and your church during the years you have been involved in 4-H/FFA.
2. List your Citizenship experiences in your 4-H/FFA Club, your school, your community and your church during the years you have been involved in 4-H/FFA.
3. Handwritten Summary of your 4-H/FFA career – minimum of 500 words or more.
4. 2 letters of recommendation, one from a 4-H/FFA leader and the other from a non-related adult acquaintance.
5. Must have a copy of your transcripts/grades with your application.
6. Must be enrolled as a full time student. After the first semester is completed you must be in good standing with the university. We will need a copy of your first semester grades and be registered in college before the second semester begins. If you choose to change colleges second semester we must have a written letter stating this sent to us with the new college name and address in order for us to pay the second payment for your second semester.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ______________

Send Application to: Central Iowa Fair, 1308 East Olive Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158

Applications are due by April 6th of current year
7th & 8th Grade
Legislative Trip to Des Moines

Join 4-H members and friends as we travel to Des Moines where we will tour the Judicial Center and the State Capitol, visit with legislators and explore the Science Center of Iowa.

- Wednesday, March 28, 2018
- For any 7-8th grade 4-H members and friends. 4-H members may invite a friend in 7-8th grade, but they must pay and register by the deadline (this includes payment and medical form).
- Cost is $25.00. Registration & Payment due Wed. March 14. (Shirts will not be available after this deadline)

Cost includes lunch, shirt to wear on trip, and a snack for the way home.

The fees for service will be used to offset direct expenses and to support the County Extension Program.

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**Registration**

Please circle County: Boone Linn Marshall Tama Story

PARTICIPANTS NAME: _____________________________________________________________

First Last

ADDRESS: _____________________________________________________________

Street or Box City Zip

HOME PHONE____/____-_______ PARENT’S CELL PHONE____/____-_______

YOUTH’s CELL PHONE (if applicable)____/____-_______

EMAIL: ___________________________ T-Shirt Size YS YM YL XL

GRADE _____ (Please Circle which apply) (MALE / FEMALE) (YOUTH / CHAPERONE)

Special Needs: (Please circle) Yes/No Describe if yes: _____________________________

Parent/ Guardians Name _______________________________________________________

Parent/ Guardians Signature __________________________________________________
April 7th 9:00am – 3:00pm
4th – 12th Grade 4-H Member
Benton, Linn, Marshall,
Tama

4-H PALOOZA – WORKSHOP OVERLOAD!

You will get a day that you get to choose 3 workshops to participate in and bring ideas home for your fair project! There will be many hands on learning activities and fun! This workshop will be at the Benton County Fairgrounds. We will also discuss copyright and fair write up specifics for each county.

Lunch is provided, but make sure to bring a reusable water bottle.

$25 per person

Return registration form below & payment by March 14th to your county extension office

4-H PALOOZA – WORKSHOP OVERLOAD

Youth Name ___________________________ Grade __________

Food Allergies: ___________________________ County: __________

Parent/Guardian: ___________________________ Phone: __________

Payment: Check Cash (Circle payment)

Rank the project areas with 1 – 10, 1 being your first choice. We will do our best to get you into your top 3 choices.

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April 11th 7:00am – 5:30pm
4th – 12th Grade
4-H & FFA Members
Linn, Benton, Marshall, Tama Counties
Sponsored By: America's Farmers
Grow Communities Monsanto Grant

4-H FSQA BUS TRIP

Take a trip to Iowa State University Campus. We will visit the Meats Laboratory, Dairy Farm, Beef Teaching Farm, Swine Farm, Sheep Farm, and have hands on learning activities. We will have lunch from Hickory Park at the Hansen Learning Center and tour the facilities. FSQA will be offered on the bus for your annual certification!
The bus will pick up and drop off at The Linn County Extension Office, Highway 218/30 Parking Lot, & Meskwaki Gas Station Parking Lot.

$25 per person
Registration is limited to 48 members

Return registration form below & payment by March 14th to: Linn County Extension Office, 383 Collins Road NE Suite 201 Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

4-H FSQA BUS TRIP

Youth Name: _______________ Grade: __________

Email __________________________

Food Allergies: ___________________ School: ___________________

Parent/Guardian: ___________________ Phone: ___________________

County: ___________________ Payment: Check  Cash  (Circle payment)

The fees for service will be used to offset direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development County Extension Program. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach does not discriminate on the basis of age, disability, ethnicity, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, or status as a U.S. veteran. Direct inquiries to Ross Willburn, 515-294-1482, willburn@iastate.edu
Haverhill Hustler’s 4-H Club

9th Annual Fish Fry Fundraiser

March 16th, 2018
4:00pm - 8:00pm
Haverhill Social Club

2 DRAWINGS TO WIN 1/2 HOG AND PROCESSING
Hog donated by Jim & Tom Stalzer
Processing donated by Mycogen - Chuck Sawyer

Adults $15
Kids (7-under) $8

Dinner’s Include
Cheesy Potatoes
Baked Beans
Coleslaw & Assorted Desserts

All tickets must be bought by March 1st
Please get tickets from a Haverhill 4H member
or Cassie @ 319-551-6572
or Kelly @ 641-751-8532
Jayden Moo teaching the youth of Marshall County how to construct their fit bit at the incredible wearable workshop.