The snow is melting and there are less than 90 days until summer! I personally cannot wait!!

With Spring approaching that means that we are on the downhill slide to summer! In this addition of the courier you will find information about project workshops and practices!

A reminder that you should be attending your club meetings wither they be in person or virtually. You must attend three meetings to be eligible to show at County Fair. Megan will be holding zoom meetings once a month from March-May. We will do fun virtual games and some activities you can do with items around the house!

Best wishes, Megan and Chelsea
We want YOU to run for Central Iowa Fair Queen. Applications are due by Monday, June 11, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. This will be a wonderful opportunity for any girl over the age of 16 and under 21. The new fair queen will receive a $100 scholarship and the runner up will receive $25 cash. We have several fun events planned and know you will have a great time.

We are looking for our next 2021 CIF Little Miss Princess. If you are currently living in the Marshall County and are currently (2020/2021) in grades Kindergarten through Third grades you are invited to participate in this year’s Little Miss CIF Princess activity. This activity is in conjunction with the Central Iowa Fair, which is scheduled for the week of July 14 – 17, 2021. Applications must be completed and returned to Jodi Breniman no later than Monday, June 14, 2021.

Applications can be found here! please contact Jodi Breniman, queen coordinator at 641-750-6096 if you have any questions!
Are you interested in leading a 4-H camping adventure? Apply to be a Tri-County 4-H Camp Counselor! Applicants must be at least 16 years of age (by August 10, 2021) and attend a training day on August 10, 2021. Complete the counselor application form by March 31. Form available at https://www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/tricounty-camp. Leadership and communication skills, lots of enthusiasm, a desire to work with 4th-6th grade youth in a camping setting and willingness to put in long days are qualities needed for this role. Camp is August 11-13 at the YMCA Camp north of Boone.

GARDENING TO GIVE

Join us as we pledge our hands to larger service this summer with Gardening to Give!
- 8 month gardening initiative to feed our loved ones and support Iowa food pantries
- Open to ALL ages and abilities
- Receive monthly lessons and activities to help you engage in the gardening experience
- Report your progress and harvest totals throughout the program

Register today!
We are looking forward to learning and growing with you throughout this gardening experience!

4-H'ERS FOR 4-H CAMPAIGN

4-H'ers for 4-H is an annual campaign put on by the Iowa 4-H State Council. We encourage all 4-H clubs to donate $3.00 per club member. An informational flier can be found here.

POP TABS FOR JACY

Jacy was a 2017 State 4-H Council member who passed away from Ewing's Sarcoma. He collected 1000's of pounds of pop tabs during his battle and we want to continue that tradition. Flier can be found here.
**READ ACROSS IOWA**

March is Read Across Iowa month! The last two weeks of the month we will be reading four books on our Facebook! Join the event to know when we go live!

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**ICASH SAFETY GRANT**

ICASH stands for Iowa’s Center for Agricultural Safety and Health. Annually they provide grant funding to community youth groups for farm safety-related projects. This would be a great opportunity to educate your community about farm safety and health! The application, evaluation form and example projects can be found here.

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**2021 ISF STATIC AND COMMUNICATION CLASSES**

If you would like to look at the Static and Communication classes for county and state fair this year before the fairbook is released you can locate those on the Iowa 4-H webpage.

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**SWINE WORKSHOP**

There will be a virtual 4-H swine workshop hosted by Cerro Gordo County on Wed., March 10 at 6:30 p.m. This workshop will discuss pig selection, fair preparation, and showmanship. All Iowa 4-H members are encouraged to join. Please register via Zoom.

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**WOODBURNING WORKSHOP**

We have been invited from our friends in Tama County 4-H to join them in a fun wood burning workshop on March 23rd from 6:30-8 at Otter Creek Lake in Toledo! You can find registration information here.
Iowa Youth Institute

The 2021 Iowa Youth Institute, part of the World Food Prize Foundation, is a unique opportunity for students in grades 8-12 to explore ways to make a difference in Iowa and around the world. By sharing their innovative ideas to address real-world challenges, participants will automatically be eligible to receive a $500 scholarship to Iowa State University's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and an additional $2,000 scholarship if selected for the Global Youth Institute. Registration for the virtual event is open from Feb. 10 - March 29. The event takes place April 26.

Vendor Show

The Liscomb Lively Laborers 4-H Club will be having a vendor show fundraiser on April 10th from 9-4 at the Liscomb Community Center. Vendors interested in participating can contact April Stewart at 641-750-4480.

Dog Project

Practices for the 2021 fair will begin on May 11th at 6:30pm, at the picnic shelter. They will be every Tuesday until the fair. If you have questions please contact Erin Calkins, Dog superintendent.

Rabbit Project

We're on the downhill slide out of winter! Not only us but our bunnies will be thankful for that. This also means we will soon be thinking about hopping/agility practices and fair. We will be working on a schedule for the practices and will have it in the next Clover Courier. Now is also a good time to start shopping if you plan to add rabbits or are just starting out. If you need help finding or picking rabbits, Sally, Amber, Chelsia, and myself are always willing to help!

Poultry Project

For the 2021 Central Iowa Fair Pullorum Typhoid Testing will be required for all poultry that will be exhibiting. Now is the time to be purchasing your birds for the fair!
YQCA training will be held on April 22nd at 6pm, location to be determined. If you are 4-12th grade showing any animal (except bucket/bottle calves, dog and horse) you are required to take YQCA **annually**. You can either take it online or attend in person. If you take it online this year it costs $12.00. You can find the YQCA family flier on our [website](#). It will walk you through registering and completing your course.

If you attend in person you will receive a coupon code to cover the cost of your course. Email Megan to get a code and helpsheet.

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**Annual Volunteer Training** has been rescheduled for March 25th at 6pm at the Extension Office. If you do not feel comfortable joining in person you can join via zoom.

Please RSVP to Megan by March 18th if you will be joining in person or via zoom.

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### Leader Resources

- **Regulations and Guidance**: Best Practices, chartering, clover kids, club management

- **Volunteer Resources**: Leader Resources, 4-H Club Management, Clover Kids Resources and more

- **4-H at Home Learning Resources**: provides Many opportunities that can be done at home

- **Marshall County 4-H Webpage**: Find the latest issues of the Clover Courier, and information on how to complete enrollment