



Poweshiek Post

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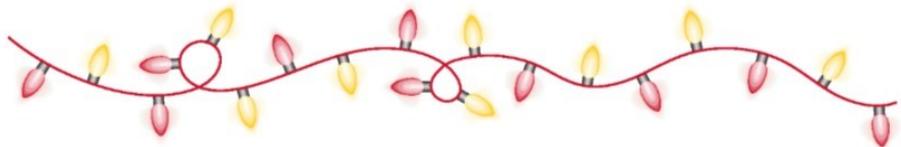


Hello to Poweshiek County 4-H Families!

Dates to Remember:

- Dec 3** - Monte Clover Kids
- Dec 5** - BGM 1 Clover Kids
- Dec 8** - Beef Weigh-In
- Dec 11** - Grinnell Clover Kids
- Dec 12** - BGM 2 Clover Kids
- Dec 15** - County Council Meeting
- Jan 1** - Youth Entertainment Application Deadline

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



from Poweshiek County Extension

The Extension Office will be closed for the holidays
December 24th-25th and December 31st-January 1st!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

FAR OUT DATES



**FEBRUARY
2019**

- 14-15** Babysitting Basics | Grinnell
- 18** Babysitting Basics | Brooklyn



**MARCH
2019**

- 8** Babysitting Basics | Montezuma



**JUNE
2019**

- 25-27** State Youth Conference & Animal Science Round-Up | Ames
- 29** 4-H Event Day



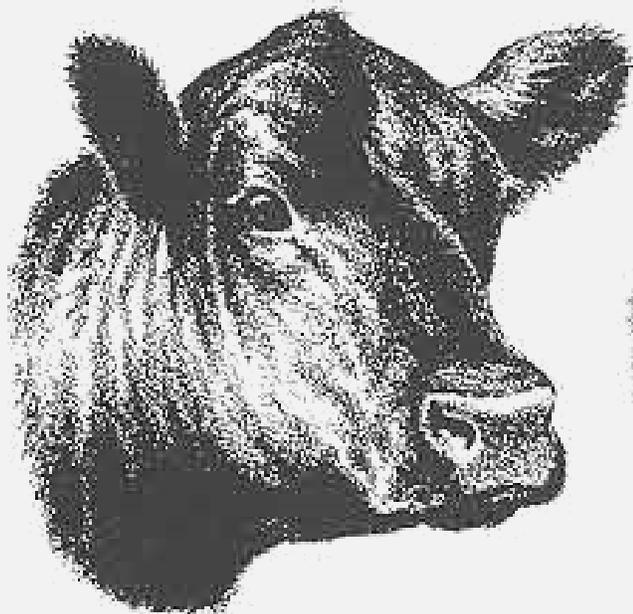
**JULY
2019**

- 13** Indoor Exhibit Judging | Fairgrounds
- 18-22** Poweshiek County Fair | Fairgrounds



REMINDERS

Beef Weigh-In



When: Saturday, December 8 | 1-3 pm

Where: Grinnell Vet Clinic | 1631 West St (south on HWY 146) *Please turn around in airport road and use it as a waiting area*

What: All market beef animals being shown at the Poweshiek County and/or Iowa State Fair must be weighed in. This includes second year bottle calves and production beef (animals harvested at Dayton's in July or animals entering the ultra-sound contest).

General Information:

- ⇒ Participants must enroll in 4honline AND pay their *\$35 membership fee* prior to weigh-in

After Weigh-In

- ⇒ Weights will be entered into 4honline by Extension Staff. Each exhibitor will need to log-in to 4honline and verify this information by February 1, 2019.

State Fair Information:

- ⇒ Retinal images will be collected for all animals that may possibly be exhibited at the State Fair.
- ⇒ Entry in breed classes must follow the Iowa Junior Beef Breeds Association classifications. Breeds must be identified in 4honline by February 1, 2019.
- ⇒ A *\$5/head nomination fee* will be collected at weigh-in. This will nominate the animal for the State Fair.
- ⇒ When verifying animals on 4honline, be sure the retinal image box is checked

Weigh-In Fees:

- ⇒ County Fair Tag Only: **\$2/head**
- ⇒ State Fair Retinal Image Scan + Tag: **\$7/head**

Can't Make It?

- ⇒ *Don't fret!* You can attend a nearby county's weigh-in, but you need to inform the Extension Office before doing so. Please contact us at xpoweshiek@iastate.edu or 641.623.5188 to find out alternative dates in other counties.



4-H Clover Approval

Due to new USDA regulations if anyone uses the 4-H name or emblem

they must get approval from their local Extension Office. Please let the office know if you plan to use any of these prior to your fundraising events.



4-H OPPORTUNITIES

Citizenship Washington Focus

When: June 14-22, 2019

Who: 9th-12th grade youth

Cost: \$1700 (includes lodging, travel, tours and meals)

Registration: Due January 15, 2019—Go to www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/cwf for more information!



Every summer teens from across the country gather at the National 4-H Conference Center near Washington D.C. to learn what it means to be a strong leader in the community, country and world.

County Youth Council

The council will be meeting on **December 15th** from 4-11 pm at the Community Hope Church Youth Building in Montezuma. The evening will be full of leadership and teambuilding activities as the council plans their events for the year! Members are asked to bring snacks to share and any ideas they have for the upcoming year. Dinner will be provided.



Healthy Living Challenge

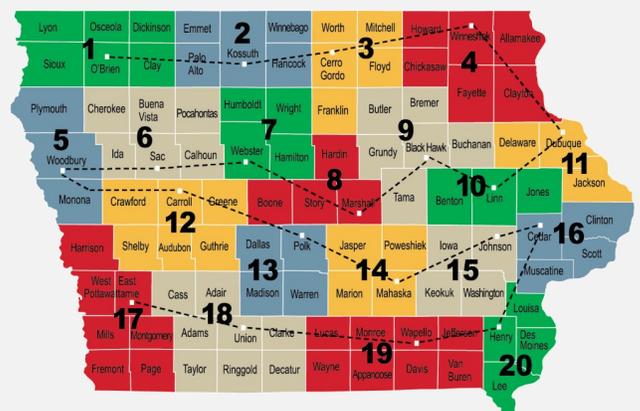
There is still time to register your club for the Healthy Living Challenge. Go online and register here: <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/healthy-living-club-challenge>

The 4-H Healthy Living Club Challenge will run from **November 1, 2018-May 31, 2019**

Clubs will take part in the challenge by introducing a variety of healthy living practices during club meetings each month. Completing the challenges earns the clubs "miles" as they race across Iowa throughout all 20 regions of the state. This 1,400 mile route destination sure fulfills the definition of a challenge, but by working together as a team and

setting goals to incorporate healthy living practices each month, we hope to see you meet or surpass the final mile by the end of June!

Race Across Iowa Map Route





RECOGNITION

4-H Scholarship Opportunity

Are you an Iowa 4-H'er planning to attend college? The Iowa 4-H Foundation knows it's not easy to finance a college education, and we know that many Iowa 4-H'ers can use help achieving their educational goals. Consider applying for an Iowa 4-H Scholarship, funded by donors through the Iowa 4-H Foundation. Designed to encourage Iowa 4-H members to continue their education beyond high school, our current scholarship program **offers over 90 scholarships worth more than \$100,000**. Scholarships range in value from \$500 to \$10,000.

The 4-H scholarship program is **available November 20, 2018 through February 1, 2019**. 4-H members are strongly encouraged to read and follow the helpful hints and instructions that are on the 4-H Foundation Scholarship webpage: <https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/index.cfm?nodeID=31466&audienceID=1>.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarship Coordinator Mary Clancy by email at clancy@iastate.edu or phone (712) 830-1321.

Ag Scholarships

America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, awards more than \$500,000 in scholarships to students studying in ag-related fields. In 2019, more than 350 scholarships totaling more than \$500,000 will be awarded across the U.S. The opportunities in agriculture are limitless. Grow Ag

Leaders encourages high school seniors to college juniors to apply for a **\$1,500 scholarship** to support their higher education in ag-related fields of study. **Applications are now open until February 1, 2019**. The applicant must have 2 farmers endorse them.

State 4-H Recognition Day

State 4-H Recognition is the process in which senior 4-H members in grades 9-12 can apply to be selected for special statewide opportunities such as awards and trips. The purpose of this event is to provide an avenue for youth recognition, and to provide young people with an opportunity to practice and grow leadership, communications, and college and career readiness skills through application and interview activities.

Applications will open in 4honline on November 15. Instructions can be found in the sidebar once logged in. All applications **must be submitted by 11:59 pm on February 1, 2019**. Interviews will be held March 30, 2019 from 9 am—3 pm on the ISU Campus.

Here is an overview of the different opportunities youth can apply for:

- **State 4-H Project Award**- Youth apply for a project award with a similar application to the county award. Youth who receive a State project award will receive a \$100 check.
- **National 4-H Conference**- Youth have the opportunity

to share their perspective on the program with national leaders, including Congressional members! Held in Chevy Chase, MD

- **National 4-H Congress**- Youth will be able to network with youth from across the US. This is similar to State 4-H Conference, but nation-wide! Held in Atlanta, GA
- **State 4-H Council**- Group of youth working with State Office staff to represent Iowa 4-H. Promotes 4-H and plans Iowa 4-H Youth Conference.
- **State 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Program**- Youth selected will promote 4-H Shooting Sports and serve as an advocate for the program across the state.

For details on each of these opportunities, please visit:

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

Deadline for all opportunities is **February 1st**. Interviews will be on March 24th in Ames!



POWESHIEK COUNTY

HELP PICK A FAIR THEME

Clubs are encouraged to submit their fair theme ideas to the Poweshiek County Fair office by January 1.

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK

Complete the anonymous survey linked below by January 6th for a chance to win a \$20 Casey's gift card!

<https://form.jotform.com/PowCoExt/Survey2018>



2018-2019 After School Program

December's Clover Kids theme is **WINTER CAMPING**

Participants will learn from Emily Klein, Poweshiek County Conservationist. She will talk about what you might need if you are camping in the winter months or just skiing, sledding or snow shoeing. Participants will be making a craft, trying on snow shoes, and having s'mores in a bag for a snack!

Grinnell:

- December 11 | 3:30-5:00 pm
- Bailey Park Elementary

Montezuma:

- December 3 | 3:30-5:00 pm
- Montezuma School

BGM Group 1:

- December 5 | 2:30-4:00 pm
- BGM School

BGM Group 2:

- December 12 | 2:30-4:00 pm
- BGM School

Youth Poweshiek County Fair Entertainment Committee

Committee members will help plan and implement fun activities at the 2019 Poweshiek County Fair!



Committee Expectations

- Attend Meetings/ 1 month
- Brainstorm Activities
- Research Activities
- Plan and Lead Activities
- Be the Voice of Peers
- Collaborate with the Fair Board
- Fundraise

Need More Information?

Contact Sam Asper at
samasper@iastate.edu or
Stacey James at csjames@netins.net

Applications are Open to 4H/FFA Youth

*Complete the application form which will be emailed out.

Submit it to samasper@iastate.edu or to
Poweshiek County Extension
PO Box 70 Montezuma, IA 50171

*Applications are due January 1, 2019
*Notification of selection will be made by
January 18, 2019.