



Poweshiek Post

June 2017



Hello to Poweshiek County 4-H Families!

Dates to Remember:

- June 5**—Grinnell FSQA
- June 5&6**—Preserve the Taste of Summer
- June 7**—Nature Club Day Camp
- June 13**—Event Day Entries Due
- June 15**—County Fair Entries Due
- June 16**—Clover Kids Summer Adventure Day
- June 17**—4-H Event Day
- June 19**—Pre Fair Orientation
- June 13 and 20**—Photography Workshops
- June 20-22**—Robotics Workshop
- June 27-29**—Animal Science Round-Up and State 4-H Youth Conference
- July 1**—State Fair Entries Due
- July 13**—Typhoid Pullorum Testing for Poultry Exhibitors
- July 12-14**—Fair Set-Up/Clean-Up
- July 15**—Indoor Judging Day
- July 19-24**—County Fair

We have been getting questions about exhibits for fair, and we are so excited to hear about the things you are accomplishing with your goals! Remember, if you need any help with your write-ups, exhibits, or animals, please contact our office for assistance!

We are looking forward to a variety of summer programs including, a pressure-canning workshop, photography workshops, pre-fair orientation, and much more! If you have ideas for a project workshop for next year—let us know!



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4-H ANIMALS

COUNTY FAIR ENTRY FORMS DUE JUNE 15

One Entry Form is required for each species pictured below a 4-H'er plans to exhibit at the Poweshiek County Fair. Entry Forms must be accompanied by a **Livestock Verification Form** (one per exhibitor).



Entry Fees

- \$1 per entry per class (for all species) - **Excluding Clover Kids**
 - Check the Fairbook to find the number of the class you are entering
- There is a maximum of \$15 in Entry Fees per exhibitor (includes livestock, indoor exhibits and Event Day entry fees)

Entry Forms and the Livestock Verification Form can be downloaded at www.poweshiekcountyfair.org. These forms and the Entry Fees must be placed in the fair office dropbox or sent to the **Poweshiek County Fair Office: PO Box 372, Grinnell, 50112**

STATE FAIR ENTRIES DUE JULY 1

State Fair livestock and horticulture entries are due July 1st. For instructions on the entry process, please visit <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/livestock>. Please note that payments will be made online or sent directly to the Iowa State Fair this year, not to the Extension Office.



FSQA/YQCA

If you plan to show any of the following species at the County Fair, you must be FSQA/YQCA certified:

- Beef, dairy (goat or cow), meat goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep, swine

What is FSQA?

FSQA stands for Food Safety and Quality Assurance. This program focuses on the seven Good Production Practices to ensure 4-H youth are producing safe food.

What is YQCA?

YQCA stands for Youth for the Quality and Care of Animals. It is an online training offered nationally, with in-person options beginning next year. This training is a **yearly** certification and has a cost of \$12 for the online version. To complete this training online, log-in with your 4honline information at <https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login>

How do you become certified? .

- 4-H'ers grades 4-6 must either:
 - Attend the in person training (see dates below)
 - Complete the online training via 4honline
- 4-H'ers grades 7-12 must do one of these options:
 - Take the Intermediate or Senior Test, which will only certify them for this year
 - Attend the in person training (see dates below)
 - Complete the online training via 4honline

Training Date

- June 5th from 9-11 am at the Poweshiek County Fairgrounds

Please call the Extension Office to RSVP for this training at least one week in advance: 641.623.5188



With the merge of FSQA and YQCA there are multiple options for certification, outlined to the right. For 2017, both options will be available with a transition to YQCA over the next two years.



FAIR INFORMATION

INDOOR JUDGING DAY

When: Saturday, July 15th

- Judging will begin at 9 am
- Check-in at the front table to fill out paperwork and pay entry fee prior to judging process
- Check the county fairbook for your club's judging time!

EXHIBIT WRITE UPS

For **each** of your Indoor Judging entries you will need to complete and bring an exhibit "write up." In that write up, you must answer the following questions:

1. "What did you plan to learn or do?"

- This is asking you to state your goal. Remember that a goal has an action, a result and a timeframe.
- Example: I want to refinish my grandma's dresser by her birthday in June.

2. "How did you go about working toward your goal?"

- Explain each step you took to reach your goal. Include both successes and failures!

3. "What were the most important things you learned as you worked toward your goal?"

- Explain what you learned

All outdoor exhibits must be brought on July 15 for judging and then taken home. They must then be brought back to the Fairgrounds on July 19 for display.

Also consider including your budget and pictures of you working on your exhibit.

Remember to include your name, age, grade, club and the exhibit class number (found in the fair book) on each write up.

Digital copies of all the forms as well as the photography specific label can be accessed at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/poweshiek/news/projects>

Exhibits shown by 5th graders and older will be considered for State Fair selection.

The following things may happen with your static (indoor) exhibit after it is judged:

- Your exhibit will be given a ribbon and sent to your club booth for display
- Your exhibit will be held for review. Then, it will either
 - be given a considered, purple, blue or red ribbon
 - be selected for state fair and given a consideration ribbon

PRE FAIR SET-UP

Pre Fair Booth set-up will be held **July 12th** from **4-7 pm**. This is your opportunity to set-up your club's booth display as you prepare to showcase your exhibits at the Poweshiek County Fair. Remember, the theme is "Fun for the Whole Herd," and hopefully you have been brainstorming some fun ways to decorate! These booths are judged on best use of fair theme,

organization, neatness, creativity, and originality. The "Judge's Choice" booth winner will receive \$25 for their club!

It is the responsibility of the club's to both decorate and disassemble their entire project display at the conclusion of the fair. All trash and debris must be placed in the trash cans!

➔ GET READY FOR FAIR!

NEW MEMBER/PRE FAIR ORIENTATION

When: June 19 | 5:00—6:30 pm

Where: Poweshiek County Fairgrounds

Who: All Clover Kids, 4-H'ers and their families

The Poweshiek County 4-H Youth Council will be facilitating

this event to help participants prepare their exhibit write-ups and learn about the judging process during the Poweshiek County Fair!



**FAVORITE TIME
OF THE YEAR?
FAIR SEASON.**



OPPORTUNITIES

LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON

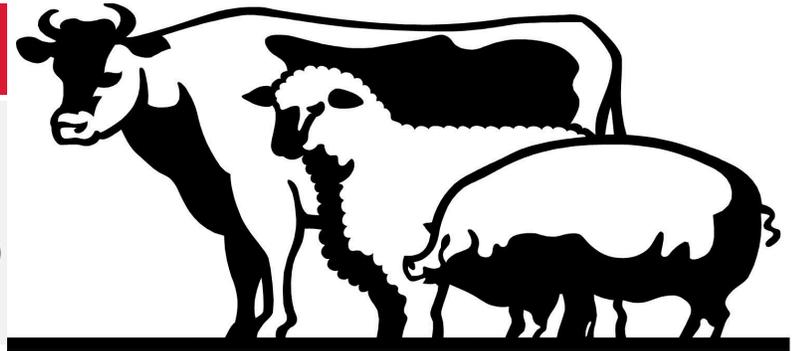
When: July 21 | 10:00 am

Where: Poweshiek County Fairgrounds

Who: All teams should have three members

- One Junior 4-H'er (4th-6th grader)
- One Senior 4-H'er/FFA Member (9th-12th grader)

More details in July newsletter!



COUNTY COUNCIL HOSTED SCAVENGER HUNT

When: July 22 | 3:00—5:00 pm

Where: Poweshiek County Fairgrounds Arena

The Poweshiek County Council is excited to sponsor an event for all ages at the Poweshiek County fair! This interactive scavenger hunt will get you moving around the fairgrounds while participating in fun challenges! Prizes will be awarded to all members of the top teams for each group.

RULES:

- County council members must be shown the pictures and videos to receive points
- Teams must be in groups of three
- The top team in each category will be awarded a prize

- Pictures and videos must be taken during the competition
- All activities should be able to be completed within the boundaries of the Poweshiek County Fairgrounds

Team Categories:

Youth Teams (4th-12th)

- Must consist of one 4th-6th grader, one 9th-12th grader, 3rd member may be any 4th-12th grader

Clover Teams (K-3)

- Three K-3 graders accompanied by an adult

Adult Teams

- 3 individuals who are out of high school age

Have your camera/video taking devices ready!

IOWA 4-H CAMERA CORPS

4-H Camera Corps is a talented group of selected youth photographers working together to capture beautiful, powerful, and unique photographs of communities from across of the state of Iowa. Each month, a photography topic/theme is provided with different subject matters as the primary focus.

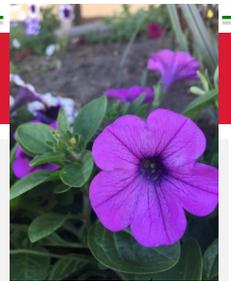
The best photographs from across the state are exhibited digitally on the Iowa 4-H social media platforms. Voting will be open to the public and a panel of professional photographer evaluators. The top voted photographs from each assignment of the month will be highlighted and receive statewide recognition. The top photos from the year will be printed, framed, and shown at statewide gallery exhibitions.

Iowa 4-H Camera Corps members will:

- Gain a better understanding and appreciation of photography

- Engage in innovative and exciting photography projects
- Develop new photography skills and techniques
- Have the opportunity to take part in hands-on workshops

April was the first month youth were given a theme and could submit a photograph. We had 81 youth submit incredible photography for the theme "Looking Up". The Camera Corps members participating last month really enjoyed the task and learned a lot from taking photos with a theme in mind. You can view the photos taken at [Iowa 4-H](#)





OPPORTUNITIES

PRESERVE THE TASTE OF SUMMER

What: An opportunity for 4-H youth to learn how to safely preserve foods.

Who: Any 4-Her over the age of 10—4-Hers can participate in a group setting with adult mentors which could be a parent, relative, Extension staff or Master Gardener.

When: Group viewings on June 5th and 6th from 5—8 pm

Where: Drake Community Library, Grinnell

After completing the sessions, all participants will have the opportunity to participate in hands-on workshops.

Cost: \$5 for 4-H'ers | \$15 for Non 4-H'ers | \$35 for Adults

The lessons are:

1. Food Safety
2. Canning basics
3. Canning acid foods
4. Pressure canning low-acid foods
5. Preparation and canning of pickled and fermented foods
6. Making and preserving fruit spreads
7. Freezing foods, storage of frozen and refrigerated foods
8. Drying foods

Sign Up: If interested contact the Poweshiek County Extension Office to register. Telephone: (641)623-5188 or email: spoweshiek@iastate.edu

ROBOTICS WORKSHOPS

Who: 4th—7th graders

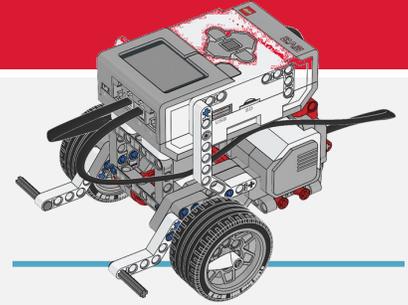
When: June 20, 21 and 22 | 9:00 am—12:00 pm each day

Where: Community Hope Church in Montezuma

Cost: \$35 for 4-H'ers | \$45 for non 4-H'ers

Sign Up: Contact Ashley Kinkade at kinkadea@iastate.edu or by calling 641.623.5188. Space is limited to 12 so sign up today!

What: Participants will learn about programming and building EV3 LEGO MINDSTORM Robots.



PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOPS



What: JO Parker, an experienced photographer and 4-H judge, will be hosting two photography workshops!

Who: All 4-H members

When (two options):

June 13 from 4-6 pm—explore downtown Montezuma with cameras

June 20 from 4-6 pm—learn more about editing and cropping photos

Where: Poweshiek County Extension Office

You are invited to attend both or just one of these workshops!

Sign Up: Email kinkadea@iastate.edu **at least one week in advance.**

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Payton Robison has enjoyed being a part of 4-H and learning how to pursue and ultimately accomplish her dreams. Her experiences have taught her what she wants to do with her future and have given her the confidence to pursue that goal.

Payton especially enjoys the week of County Fair and reconnecting with friends.

Payton plans to attend ISU in the fall for Animal Sciences and then hopes to manage a show pig business.



OPPORTUNITIES

4-H

explores

NATURE



NATURE CLUB DAY CAMP

Join us for a Nature Club Day Camp kick-off! The day will include fishing, kayaking, dutch-oven cooking, hiking and geocaching!

When: June 7, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Rain Date: June 14th

Where: Diamond Lake Shelter #2

RSVP to kinkadea@iastate.edu

SHEEP EXHIBITORS WORKSHOP

The Iowa Sheep Industry Association Board of Directors Invites you to the **2017 Iowa Sheep and Wool Festival** at the Hansen Agriculture Student Learning Center, Ames, Iowa

June 17 & 18

8:00 am-5:00 pm on Saturday

8:00 am-4:00 pm on Sunday

Cost:

- Gate fee and 2 day wrist band \$5.00,

- Kids 8 and under free with adult
- Free Parking

PUTTING A NEW SPIN ON THE 2017

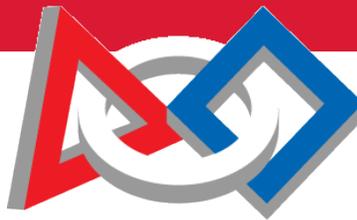


ATTENTION ALL ADULTS

The Poweshiek County 4-H program is searching for coaches for our FIRST Lego League Robotics teams.

Please contact us if you are interested in helping:

641.623.5188 or email kinkadea@iastate.edu.



FIRST LEGO LEAGUE

ROW BY ROW JR—LEARN BASIC SEWING SKILLS

What: Row by Row Jr is a program for learning the basics of quilting. This year's program has 5 different patterns to choose from. Participants can pick up one of the patterns from local shops, mentioned below. The Extension Office will be holding workshops in the near future to help youth complete the patterns.

When: The patterns and kits will be available starting June 21st through Labor Day.

Who: Anyone age 6 to 14 years old

Where to get Patterns: True Value and Brooklyn Fabric

Company in Brooklyn and 3 Sisters in Montezuma.

For More Information: [https://](https://www.rowbyrowexperience.com/junior.htm)

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Poweshiek County Event Day

June 17 - United Methodist Church
916 5th Avenue Grinnell

Register by June 9th, 2017

Communication Events

- **Educational Presentation**—*Informative Presentation or How to Demonstration*— Share what you have learned in a project area through a presentation such as “Fruit Pizza Creation,” “The Basics of Dog Washing,” “Head Ache Home Remedies” or “Practices to Protect our Environment”
- **Working Exhibit**—*Hands on activity engaging the audience to learn a new skill* - Get the audience to participate in your particular activity such as Making Corsages, Making a Calf Halter, Tasting Cookies to Identify the Missing Ingredient or Cleaning Pennies with Vinegar.
- **Extemporaneous Speech**— *Write a speech on the spot* - You draw 3 4-H related topics and select one that you would like to prepare a speech about in 30 minutes. This is open to anyone at the county level but only Senior 4-H’ers may go on to State.
- **Share the Fun**— *Show off your talent* - This is a showcase of 4-H’ers abilities whether it be singing, doing magic, playing an instrument or performing a skit with their club.

Clothing Challenges

- **Fashion Revue**— The 4-H’er will model a garment or outfit they have constructed, hand-knitted, machine-sewn or crocheted during the current 4-H year. They will be judged on craftsmanship and knowledge level.
- **Clothing Selection**— 4-H’er will select and/or purchase an outfit based upon a specific goal they have set for themselves. The judge will be looking at the outfit to see how well it meets its intended purpose, how well all the pieces go together, and how much the 4-H’er learned throughout the process.
- **\$15 Challenge**- Outfits must be purchased at a garage sale, consignment store, or resale shop such as Goodwill or Salvation Army. Hand-me-downs or clothing as gifts that were selected by the 4-H’er belong in Clothing Selection. The cost of the outfit must be \$15 or less, not including shoes, accessories or undergarments. All receipts **MUST** be turned in with Clothing Event Form.

Food Challenges (County Only)

- **Food Challenge**— 4-H’ers select a food item(s) that they have learned to prepare in the past year. They have 30 minutes to prepare it from beginning to end in front of a judge. The judge will be considering proper food preparation techniques, safe food handling, 4-H’er skill level and the quality of the final product.
- **Table Setting Challenge**— 4-H’ers may work alone or in a team to create a themed table setting. The setting should include a menu (no actual food), proper table service and glassware as well as themed decorations. You are encouraged to dress in accordance with your theme.

Intent to Participate

Mail to the Extension Office (PO Box 70, Montezuma 50171) or email (kinkadea@iastate.edu) by June 9th
Each exhibit entry has a cost of \$1 due on Event Day

Name		Club		
Phone Number	Email Address	JR (4-6)	INT (7-8)	SR (9-12)
Communications - (if you have a team, list all participants on the back including their names, club, phone number, email address and age division)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Presentation	Title _____	Clothing <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing Selection <input type="checkbox"/> Fashion Revue <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Challenge Food <input type="checkbox"/> Food Event (enclose recipe) <input type="checkbox"/> Place Setting		
<input type="checkbox"/> Working Exhibit	Title _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Share the Fun	Title _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Extemporaneous Speech				



BOTTLE/BUCKET CALVES, SHEEP AND GOATS MUST BE ENTERED BY JUNE 15TH!

CLOVER KIDS SUMMER ADVENTURE

Be sure to sign up the Clover Kids Summer Adventure on **June 16th** by calling 641-623-5188 or

emailing xpoweshiek@iastate.edu by **June 12th**. Find more information about this event on the next

EVENT DAY

Clover Kids wanting to participate at the Event Day on **June 17th** please visit the following website: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/poweshiek/content/clover-kids>. Complete the Registration form there by **June 9th**. Return forms to Poweshiek County Extension P.O. Box 70, Montezuma, IA 50171 or email to xpoweshiek@iastate.edu.



CHANGE—Event Day will be held at the Grinnell Methodist Church.

COUNTY FAIR ENTRIES

June 15th is the last day of registration for livestock for the county fair. Please go to <http://www.poweshiekcountyfair.org> and submit the 2017 Clover Kid Entry form to the **Poweshiek County Fair Office not the Extension Office. No entry fee is required.** The County Fair Office has a drop box outside the office or you may send to Poweshiek County Fair Association P.O. Box 372, Grinnell, IA 50112 or email to powfair@iowatelecom.net



➔ If you have any questions please call the Poweshiek Extension Office at 641-623-5188 and we would be happy to help you.



JUNE 16TH OUTDOOR DAY!

The Building of Bugs!

The architecture of ants, termites, bees, wasps and spiders! How do such tiny animals build these incredible structures? Observe ant colonies, a bald faced hornet nest, paper wasps nest, a wild honey bee nest, and spider webs. Learn how they help build a better world!



**Insect Zoo
The Buildings of
Bugs!**

11:30 to 2:30

Lunch provided

Ice Cream!

**Diamond Lake
Shelter House #2
Rain or shine
If raining we will
be at the Foster
Center at Diamond
Lake**

**POWESHIEK COUNTY
EXTENSION**

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June 16th 11:30 to 2:30