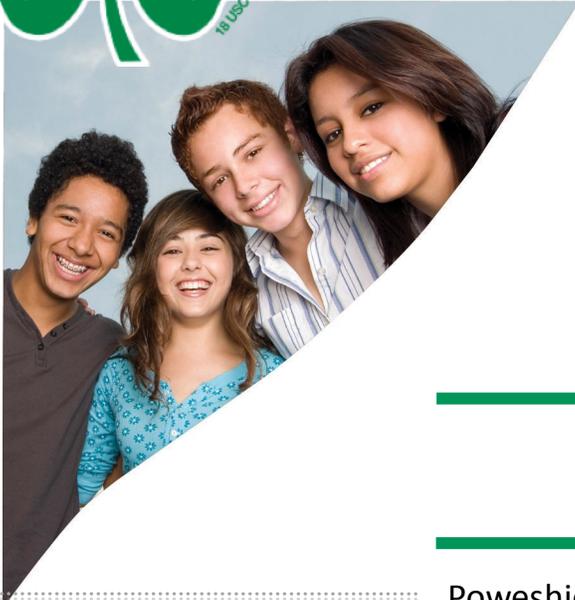




May 2015

Poweshiek Post



Hello 4-H Families!

Dates to Remember:

- May 2**—Sheep & Meat Goat Weigh-In
- May 6**—Dog Agility Work Night
- May 7**—Dog Obedience and Rally Begin
- May 15**—Must be Enrolled in 4-H
- May 15**—Animals must be IDed
- May 23**—Awesome Art Workshop
- May 28**—Montezuma Muffin Mania
- June 3**—Cattle Fitting Clinic
- June 8**—Grinnell FSQA
- June 13**—Event Day
- June 17**—Grinnell Muffin Mania
- June 18**—Clover Kid Outdoor Day
- June 24**—Brooklyn Muffin Mania
- June 28**—Pre Fair Orientation
- June 30-July 2**—State Conference

Poweshiek County Fairbooks are now available! Check with your 4-H club leader to pick yours up. The fairbook is also accessible online at <http://www.poweshiekcountyfair.org/>

Now is the time to ID your animals in 4honline. This must be done by May 15 in order to show. Check inside this newsletter for more information on how to do so.

You must also be reenrolled in 4-H by May 15 in order to show at the County Fair. This includes paying your 4-H Program Development Fee. To check whether or not you have done this, you can log into 4-Honline and check your current status. If you are active, you have paid. If it says pending next to your name, that means you have yet to pay your fee.

Have a great time preparing for the County Fair!

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County Fair Livestock Requirements



IDS are due May 15

If you plan to show any of the species below, you must ID your animal on 4honline by **May 15!**



You Need to ID Breeding Beef
Market and Production Beef should have been weighed in and IDed on 4honline at that time.



You Need to ID Breeding Does
Market Wethers and Does should be weighed in on May 2 and will be IDed on 4honline by the Extension Office. This information must be verified by the 4-H member on 4honline by May 15.



Pick up your swine ear tags and an ID Form at the Extension Office then return it to the office to be entered into 4honline. You then must verify the information we put in by May 15.



You Need to ID Purebred Ewes
Market Lambs and Commercial Ewes should be weighed in on May 2 and will be IDed on 4honline by the Extension Office. This information must be verified by the 4-H member on 4honline by May 15.

You Need to ID the Following Animals....



Bucket Bottle Calves must be identified on 4honline by May 15.

For complete instructions on how to ID your animals, visit this site <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4honline-information-families-and-leaders> Use the document titled "Animal ID on-line."

Entries are due June 15

After identifying your animals you will need to confirm how many of them you plan to bring to the County Fair.

Poweshiek County Fair entries are due June 15! Entry forms can be downloaded here www.poweshiekcountyfair.org. Fill out the form(s) and return it/them to the Poweshiek County Fair office (not the Extension Office) in Grinnell with the fair entry fee.

Entry Fees

\$1 per entry per class (for all species)

\$5 late fee per division entered (accepted until July 1)

Bottle Calf and Beef: \$10 bedding fee per head

FSQA

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

- Beef, dairy, meat goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep, swine

How do you become certified?

- 4-H'ers **grades 4-6:** Must attend a certification training every year (this year's options shown to the right)
- 4-H'ers **grades 7-9:** May choose to either attend a training (shown to the right) each year or take a test which will certify them until they reach 10th grade
- 4-H'ers **grades 10-12:** May choose to either attend a training (shown to the right) each year or take a test to be certified until they reach 20 years of age

Each 4-H'er must be certified by June 18th for County Fair and July 1st for the State Fair. The last training session will be held at the Grinnell Fairgrounds in the Exhibits Building on June 8th from 9-11 am. This training is for all age levels.

Contact the Extension Office to register for this training session. If you would like to test, you can do so at the end of each training. *To pass the test, you must answer at least 70% of the questions correctly. You are able to take the test three times.*

Project Information



Creative Arts

What: 4-H and Clover Kids Awesome Art Workshop

Who: Any Kindergarten-12th grader (will be split into two different groups based on age)

When: Saturday, May 23 9-11 am

Where: Grinnell Area Arts Council
926 Broad St. Grinnell

Cost: \$5 registration fee to cover program supplies and a snack

This one day workshop will take students on an exploration into the ancient art of **paper marbling!** While participating in this workshop, youth will have the opportunity to create their own amazing marbled papers and learn more information about 4-H, Clover Kids and the Grinnell Area Arts Council programs. Their unique creation would make a great exhibit for the Poweshiek County Fair!

Registration will be done at the door.



Food and Nutrition



What: Get the scoop on how to make the perfect muffin!

Who: 4th-7th grade (must have already completed 4th grade)

When and Where: Offered three different times (*sign up for one*)

Montezuma: Community Hope Church
May 28—8:30 am—3 pm

Brooklyn: Brooklyn Ruritan Center
June 17—8:30 am—3 pm

Grinnell: United Methodist Church
June 24—8:30 am—3 pm

Cost: \$10

Registration is due seven days before the start of the class. To register, call the Extension Office at 641.623.5188.

Workshop participants will learn about the effectiveness of different mixing methods, how to conduct scientific experiments, how the type of flour you use effect the end result and do lots of taste testing. At the end of the day, participants will have the opportunity to create the perfect muffin!

Communications

What: Working Exhibit Workshops

When: May 26 beginning at 6:30 pm

Where: Mahaska County Extension Office
212 North I Street in Oskaloosa

Free to attend!

Registration: Call 641.673.5841 or email Amy Vermeer at vermeera@iastate.edu

Horse

What: Youth Equine Clinic and Team Fun Competition

When: May 30

Clinics begin at 8 am

Team Fun Competition begins at 2 pm

Where: National Cattle Congress fairgrounds in Waterloo
257 Ansborough Ave—Pullin Simonsen Arena

\$15 for clinics with horses. Must preregister by May 15.

\$5 fee for Judging Team & Reasons Clinic

Questions: Contact Kris Klingaman at 319.231.2541

Registration: Entry forms can be found at bucoas.org

Team Fun Competition: *Must have teams of a minimum of 4 current 4-H/FFA members*

- \$10 Team Fee
- Must be pre registered by May 15

Competition Classes: Showmanship, English Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Ranch Pleasure, Barrel Race, Ribbon Race, Obstacle Race (no horses), Bat Race (no horses), Boot Race (no horses)



Animal Project Opportunities

Dog Obedience and Rally Classes

When: Beginning May 7th

Classes will be held weekly on Thursdays

Obedience: 5:30-6:30 pm

Rally: 6:30-7:30 pm

Who: All 4th-12th graders

Cost: \$60 for one class

\$90 for both classes

Contact **Anita Ford** at njaford@gmail.com or by phone at 641.990.3148 if you are interested in signing up for dog obedience classes, rally classes, or dog agility work nights.

Dog Agility Work Nights

Work nights will be held weekly on Wednesdays from 7-8 pm. These will begin on May 6th .

There is no cost to attend.

These are going to be work nights only. You must have participated in dog obedience classes to attend these work nights.

STIERWALT *cattle & clinics*

Kirk Stierwalt

Show Cattle Fitting Clinic

Register by **May 25** by calling the Extension Office: 641.623.5188.



June 3

8 am-3:30 pm

**Poweshiek County
Fairgrounds**

425 E. St. S.—Grinnell, IA

Learn Cattle Fitting Techniques from an Expert!

This observation clinic will allow you to learn proven techniques and tips on clipping, hoof trimming, show day dressing, showmanship, feeding and general care.

Free!

Lunch Provided

Event Day - Enter by June 5



Show off your talents at Poweshiek County's 4-H Event Day!

The Logistics

When: June 13 beginning at 8:30 am

Entries due by June 5

Who: All Clover Kids and 4-H'ers

Where: United Methodist Church in Grinnell

Below, you can find descriptions of the challenges you can participate in at Event Day. The entry form can be found at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/poweshiek/news/events-activities>

CLOTHING CHALLENGES

Clothing Selection

4-H'er will select and/or purchase an outfit based on 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.

Fashion Review

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.

\$15 Challenge

Outfit 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 the Clothing Event Form.



COMMUNICATION CHALLENGES

Educational Presentations

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 Project our Environment."

Working Exhibits

Hands on activity engaging the audience to learn a new skill—Get the audience to participate in your particular activity such

as Making Corsages, Make a Calf Halter, or Cleaning Pennies with Vinegar.

Extemporaneous Speaking

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 the State Fair.

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 telling jokes.



FOOD CHALLENGES

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.

Events and Activities



2015 State 4-H Camps

What: Three themed 4-H camps

Campers will live in a camp community for five days and four nights, enjoy traditional camp favorites like swimming, canoeing, hiking, climbing and campfires, visit ISU facilities

Where: Iowa 4-H Center in Madrid**Who:** 5th-8th graders**Cost:** \$350 for 4-H members or \$380 for non 4-H members

Includes all meals, lodging, and special programming costs.

Register Here: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/camping>**Camp Themes**

State 4-H "...And My World"- Campers will choose a specialized educational track to learn about other cultures, develop nutrition knowledge and culinary skills, or strengthen their leadership skills — **June 21-25**

State 4-H Science Explorers 1: Campers will explore science and technology, nature or plant science and agriculture—**July 5-9**

State 4-H Science Explorers 2: Campers will explore science and technology, animal and veterinary science, or plant science and agriculture—**July 12-16**

Farm Safety Display Workshops

The Extension Office would like to create a Farm Safety Display and Presentation with YOUR help! We are looking for a dedicated group of 7th-12th grade youth who enjoy woodworking, visual arts, farming or communications. This group will have the opportunity to create a farm scene on a plywood base and then come up with a presentation

to accompany this display that can be presented throughout area schools. Upon completion, this project could be turned into a fair exhibit! If this is something you may be interested in, contact the Extension Office at 641.623.5188 or email Lauren Haglund at haglundl@iastate.edu.



State 4-H Youth Conference

**When:** June 30-July 2**Where:** ISU Campus—Ames**Who:** All 8th-12th graders (including non 4-H'ers)**Cost:** \$175 if done before June 1
Partial scholarship is available - contact the Extension Office for more information

Registration is now live! Find the link to register here: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference>

Please contact the Extension Office at 641.623.5188 if you would like more information.

This is a great learning opportunity for all youth.

Sign up today!

Pre Fair Orientation

Are you confused about anything fair related? Would you like some help preparing your exhibit writes ups? If so, consider attending this workshop hosted by the County Council!

The event will be held on **June 28 from 2-3:30 pm at the Poweshiek County Fairgrounds**. Check next month's newsletter for more information!

Clover Kids



This Month's Highlights

In April, the Clover Kids groups had the opportunity to learn how to make a 3D watercolor flower. They also painted and decorated a photo frame.

These two creations can be taken to the County Fair and exhibited at Indoor Day. The Clover Kids had a really fun time creating their own items for fair!

Clover Kid Event Day

Clover Kids are invited to participate in the Poweshiek County Clover Kid Event Day on **June 13th**. What are the events that you can participate in?

1. *Educational Presentations* - 3rd grade
2. *Working Exhibit* - 2nd and 3rd grade
3. *Share the Fun* – K-3rd grade
4. *Clothing Selection* – K-3rd grade
5. *\$15 Challenge* – 3rd grade
6. *Food Challenge*—K-3 grade
7. *Table Setting Challenge*—2-3 grade

Descriptions of each event and the registration form can be found on our website (<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/poweshiek/news/clover-kids-0>). **Registrations are due to the Extension Office by June 5, 2015.** Call the Extension Office at 641-623-5188 if you have any questions or email xpoweshiek@iastate.edu.

Clover Kid Outdoor Day

What: Clover Kids Outdoor Day—A fun filled afternoon of outdoor adventures.

When: June 18 from 1-3:30 pm
Rain Day is June 19

Where: Diamond Lake— Meet at Shelter House #1 by the playground

Participants will be hiking, playing games, making crafts and roasting marshmallows!

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