SHELBY COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER
April 2019

CALANDAR OF EVENTS
April 16, 23, 30 Adulting 101 6:30-8PM
April 22 4-H Leader meeting 5:30PM
April 23 Broiler order due
May 4 Bottle/Bucket workshop 1PM
May 4 Sheep/Goat weigh in 9-11AM
May 4 Clover Kid Day 9-12PM
May 4 Intermediate Day 9-12PM
May 15 Livestock ID Deadline
May 15 YQCA Deadline
June 8-10 Camp Wild
July 7-15 Shelby County Fair

2019 Fair Themes
4-H Theme (booths): Universe of Possibilities
Fair Theme (parade): Memories Made Here

To better accommodate everyone’s busy schedules this spring, we are NOT going to have a Fair 101 workshop. Instead, Paulette and I (along with a few helpers) are going to put together Fair 101 in the form of 3-4 minute videos that will be available on my YouTube Page!(Because I’m cool like that!)

If you have a topic that you’d like to have us cover or a question that you’d like to have answered, please send me an email and we’ll be happy to accommodate as many requests as possible. Please stay tuned for the release of our videos. To find the videos go to YouTube and search my name.

Mary Taggs
SWINE ID

County swine tags are available at the Extension office at no charge to Shelby County 4-H exhibitors. All animals must be tagged, notched and entered into 4-H online (or paper ID) by May 15th. State Fair DNA tags are $8 and also available at the Extension office.

ADULTING 101

Open to all current 11th & 12th graders (not just 4-H’ers! Bring a friend)

All the things you didn’t learn in high school but need to know. Come to one or come to all. 6:30-8PM at the Extension office

- April 16th personal finance: insurance, taxes & budgeting.
- April 23rd home basics
- April 30th mental health awareness

We will be giving a $50 Casey’s gift card out each night for all those in attendance. If you don’t win the first night, your name stays in the hat for the next drawing (must be present to win). The more you attend the better your chances of winning!

Contact the Extension office to register: 755-3104 or mtaggs@iastate.edu

CAMP WILD

Camp Wild is for those in 5th, 6th, & 7th grades, held June 8-10 in Madrid at Clover Woods. See attached flyer for details. Scholarship reimbursements available for enrolled 4-H’ers.

MAY 4TH: CLOVER KID DAY AND INTERMEDIATE LEADERSHIP/CIVIC ENGAGEMENT DAY

Planning is underway for a Clover Kid day to be held on Saturday, May 4th from 9-11AM. This will be a day for Clover Kids to learn about different project areas and make some items that they could exhibit at the Shelby County Fair. Please watch for details.

The same day we are planning a leadership/civic engagement opportunity for intermediate 4-H’ers. When planning is finalized, details will be sent out.

RABBIT EXHIBITORS

At the required workshop, Dr. Slavik mentioned that all rabbits must be tattooed. Rabbits for the Shelby County Fair are NOT required to be tattooed. And the Shelby County fair has a non-standard class for rabbits that do not meet the standards of perfection, including neutered animals. AND a big thank you to Tiffany Mulligan, our new rabbit superintendent.
LIVESTOCK WORKSHOPS

We had some amazing learning opportunities with our livestock workshops this year. If you missed a required workshop (swine, rabbit, sheep/goat) please contact Paulette at the Extension office. These workshops are not required for Clover Kids.

HORSE AND DOG WORKOUTS

Horse exhibitors are required to attend 3 horse workouts to be eligible to exhibit at the Shelby County Fair. Horse workouts will be held at 7PM on Thursdays, likely to begin May 16th. If you intend to exhibit horses, please sign up on the google doc: Horse: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Bp-ZYFL9amNJDYDHr29erqM-nw59a1930vo1rGl2mZc/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Bp-ZYFL9amNJDYDHr29erqM-nw59a1930vo1rGl2mZc/edit?usp=sharing)

Dog exhibitors are required to attend 2 dog workouts to be eligible to exhibits at the Shelby County Fair. Dog workouts will begin in May also, If you intend to exhibit dogs, please sign up on the google doc: Dog: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1HMysA2sZjWP3ZfB_n-F11v34GWbZ6UFaqph-VBz7Jc/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1HMysA2sZjWP3ZfB_n-F11v34GWbZ6UFaqph-VBz7Jc/edit?usp=sharing)

BOTTLE/BUCKET CALVES

There are still two bottle/bucket calves left if anyone is interested. These calves have been donated by a local business and will belong to the 4-H’er. This is open to ALL enrolled members K-12.

There will be a **required** workshop on May 4th at 1PM at the fairgrounds. You will receive your calf and information about the project area and county fair requirements. This workshop is required for Clover Kids as well as 4-H’ers that receive a donated calf. Other bottle/bucket calf exhibitors are encouraged to attend.

**PANCAKE SUPPER**

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!**

Once again our Pancake supper was a HUGE success, thanks to all of the volunteers and members. It’s always great fun to see all of you along with some faces from the past. The Pancake Man always enjoys coming to our event, he says we have the best volunteers and the nicest crowd. I agree!!! This year we raised over $1,700! These fund will go to continue providing educational workshops for Shelby County 4-H’ers as well as the financial award given to graduating Senior 4-H’ers that have received Personal Development Awards.
YQCA: Youth for the Quality Care of Animals

Who needs to have YQCA? If you intend to show livestock at the county fair or state fair in 2019 you are required to take YQCA. What is considered livestock? Beef, sheep, goats, swine, rabbits and chickens. What is NOT livestock? Dogs, cats, horses and small pets.

CLOVER KIDS are NOT required to take YQCA.

If you have ANY questions, please ask your club leader or contact Paulette at the Extension Office, 755-3104 or pmadson@iastate.edu.

1. Your current FSQA testing will remain effective until the expiration date.
2. There are no more Face-to-face YQCA trainings in Shelby County.
3. Online Modules (like last year) are also available for a cost of $12. Go to https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login to log in, using your 4-H online user name and password. Remember to enter your age as of 1/1/2019. (If you’ve had a birthday since Jan. 1st, go with last years age)
4. YQCA **MUST** be completed by May 15th.

CONSIDERED A POULTRY EXHIBIT? TWO OPPORTUNITIES!

1. New to the poultry project? Consider this new class, Lend a Hen. Poultry Supt, Pam Borkowski will bring one of her chickens for you to show. Contact Paulette for details.

2. Broiler chickens are a great option if you want to learn to start raising your own food. There is a minimal investment and are a lot of fun to show. Order by April 23rd, pickup May 29th, exhibit July 11th.

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