CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 4 Tractor Safety begins
March 4 Begin Bottle/Bucket requests
March 5 Rabbit Workshop 7-8:30PM
March 5 Swine Workshop 7-8:30PM
March 7 Sheep/Goat Workshop 7-8PM
March 19 Pancake Supper
May 4 Bottle/Bucket workshop
April 16, 23, 30 Adulting 101
May 15 Livestock ID Deadline
May 15 YQCA Deadline
July 7-15 Shelby County Fair

We’re getting ready for the 150th Shelby County Fair! The fair book is being reviewed, livestock workshops are happening, and exhibits are being though about.

Mary Taggs
**LEGACY AWARD: CONGRATULATIONS KAYLEE!**

Congratulations to Kaylee Rivera for receiving the Iowa 4-H Foundation Legacy Award. Kaylee’s love of educational presentations and her project on bullying are highlights for her 4-H career. To learn more about Kaylee’s project and about the Iowa 4-H Legacy Award, visit their website at: https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/en/recognizing_service/legacy_awards/2019_honoree_videos/

**ADULTING 101**

*Save the dates: April 16, 23, 30*

Webster’s Dictionary defines: Adulting *(verb)*: To do grown-up things and have responsibilities such as a working full time, paying rent, or owning a car.

We will be venturing into the adult world learning about basic home/personal care, personal finance and behavioral health. Series is designed for students in 11th & 12th grades.

More details to come!

**IOWA POULTRY QUEEN**

Youth ages 16-21 can apply to be the Iowa Poultry Queen for 2018. Check out the website: https://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/51637/images/Iowa%20Poultry%20Queen%202019.pdf for more information. Applications are due March 15, 2019.

**GRDUATING SENIORS**

Please submit a photo of one of your first 4-H experiences AND a Senior photo along with Future Plans, How 4-h has impacted my life/future plans and Fun/Favorite 4-H Memory by March 12th to mtaggs@iastate.edu
LIVESTOCK WORKSHOPS

Many of our livestock project areas have required workshops for 4-H’ers to attend to be eligible to show at the Shelby County fair. You may ask why? We do this to ensure the safety and well-being of animals produced by our 4-H’ers, to ensure a safe food supply to consumers and to enhance the future of the livestock industry by educating youth so they become more informed producers, consumers and/or employees in the agriculture and food industry.

**Sheep/Goat:** March 7th 7-8PM  Ben Booth will be leading, he is an area Sheep/Goat judge. He will cover selection and showmanship.

**Rabbit:** March 5th 7-8PM  Dr. Doyle Slavik will be leading, he is a veterinarian from Schleswig and has a VAST knowledge of the rabbit project area.

These workshops are not required for Clover Kids, but Clover Kids are welcome to attend.

BOTTLE/BUCKET CALVES

On Monday, March 4th we will begin taking names to receive donated calves for the bottle/bucket calf project area. There will be a required workshop on May 4th where you will receive your calf and information about the project area and county fair requirements.
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. Face-to-face YQCA trainings will be held in Shelby County on Friday, Dec. 28th 9-10:30 and Monday, March 26th 6:30-8PM. Cost of Face to Face trainings is $3, you must enroll PRIOR to attending at https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login log in using your 4-H online user name and password. We have received a grant from LANDUS to off-set the cost of face to face trainings. Please contact Paulette to receive your coupon code before you register. Coupon codes are limited, so don’t delay.

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. These coupon codes have all been spoken for by 4-H’ers.