**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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**WELCOME JEN!**

We are excited to welcome back Jen Sellner (Arkfeld) to Shelby County Extension as our summer assistant. Many of you will remember Jen from the summers of 2015 & 2016 as our summer assistant and before that, as a Shelby County 4-H’er. Jen is currently the Ag Instructor/FFA Advisor in the ASTW school district. Jen will begin her duties June 4th.

*Mary Taggs*
FAIR 101: What you need to know!

Join Paulette and I at Fair 101: what you need to know! workshop on Monday, May 7th beginning at 7PM. We will be here to guide all Clover Kids, 4-H’ers and parents through the maze of county fair preparation. If you are new, or just need a refresher, please plan to join us! We will cover Clover Kids guidelines, static, communications, clothing and livestock. If you have questions, we’ve got answers! (or at least we know where to find the answers!)

Please RSVP to mtaggs@iastate.edu or 755-3104.

SCHOOL PROJECTS AS FAIR EXHIBITS

Did you complete a GREAT school project this year? Consider using it as a fair exhibit! As a 4-H’er you are eligible to bring school projects as fair exhibits as long as you complete the School Exhibit Form, which includes a signature from the classroom teacher. Now is the time to get these forms signed! The form is attached to this newsletter and also available on our website: www.extension.iastate.edu/shelby/4h.

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDES

There are three quick reference guides attached to the newsletter and on our website with valuable information about static/communications, Clover Kids and Livestock. Check it out!

HORSE AND DOG WORKOUTS:

2018 Shelby County Fair dog exhibitors are required to attend two dog workouts and horse exhibitors are required to attend three horse workouts. Dog workouts begin May 2nd. Horse workouts will begin on May 10th. All youth and adults are required to sign a waiver of liability from the fair board before they participate in workouts. The waiver is attached to the newsletter, available on our website or at the Extension office.

RABBIT WORKSHOPS:

4-H’ers planning to show rabbits at the 2018 Shelby County Fair are required to attend one of two rabbit workshops. If you did not attend one of the required workshops, Paulette will be doing a re-show at 8:15, Wednesday, May 9th.

Rabbit exhibitors are encouraged to attend rabbit workouts through out the spring. May dates are: Wed. May 9th & Wed. May 23rd at Obrecht’s farm, 916 Redbud Road from 7-8PM. Please bring your rabbits to these workshops. June and July workout dates TBD.
YQCA is here! Some things you need to know (UPDATED)

1. Your current FSQA testing will remain effective until the expiration date.

2. 4-H’ers grades 7-12 are eligible to test out of FSQA for the 2018 year. Those wishing to test out via FSQA, please contact Paulette to set up a time to test.

3. There will be no face-to-face trainings offered in Shelby County for YQCA or FSQA.

4. All YQCA trainings are available on line, for a cost of $12 per 4-H’er.

5. We have received a grant to help offset the $12 fee. Coupons are available from the Extension office. The grant will cover 40 4-H’ers, the first 40 to make a request will receive a coupon. Contact Paulette to receive your coupon code.

6. Clover Kids do NOT need to take YQCA/FSQA, all other 4-H’ers grades 4-12 that intend to exhibit: swine, beef, goats, sheep, poultry and rabbits at the 2018 Shelby County Fair, Iowa State Fair, Clay County Fair, Ak-Sar-Ben and/or 4-County Fair are required to take YQCA or FSQA.

7. 4-H’ers will have until June 15, 2018 to take YQCA /FSQA to be eligible to show at the Shelby County Fair. Training must be complete before fair entries will be accepted.

8. YQCA help sheet is available on this website: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/agriculture/YQCA/YQCAWebBasedMemberInstructions.pdf

Please keep in mind that this is a new process for all of us; we will learn together! If you have any questions, please contact the Extension office.
4-H ONLINE

It is very helpful to staff and Superintendents if 4-H’ers are enrolled in the project area in 4-H Online that they plan to exhibit at the county and/or state fair. Please take a minute and check your 4-H Online profile: enrollment/participation/projects. This is not a requirement.

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY!

Friends of Prairie Rose State Park have asked Shelby County 4-H’ers to help clean up the park on Wednesday, May 9th from 1-3PM. We will be picking up sticks, painting and staining some woodwork. If you are able to attend, you must contact Paulette at the Extension office: pmadson@iastate.edu or 755-3104 by Monday, May 7th at 5PM. Depending on how many are able to attend, transportation from the Extension office will be provided.

CAMP WILD COUNSELORS

Congratulations to Cassidy and Dean Robinson for being selected as Camp Wild counselors! They will be attending a series of trainings before joining 14 other youth from South West Iowa at Camp Clover Woods near Madrid, Iowa for a three day 5th –7th grade adventure camp. If you are interested in attending the camp, visit our website for details.

SHEEP/GOAT WEIGH-IN:

Sheep and goat weigh-in is Saturday, May 5th from 8:30-10:30 AM at the fairgrounds.

SWINE EXHIBITORS (THOSE THAT WEIGHED IN)

Please send Paulette your tag numbers and ear notches ASAP. She will enter the information on 4-H Online prior to May 9th to give you time to verify before the May 15th deadline.