



# POWESHIEK POST



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*We would like to thank everyone who turned in record books. Many of you took the time and effort to organize and complete your records and start setting your goals for this year! Congratulations!*

*The County Council would also like to thank Liz Roberts, member of the Poweshiek County Extension Council, for presenting awards at Awards Day.*

*If you get a chance, please thank any of the members of the Poweshiek County Council for their effort in organizing and putting on Awards Day for you!*

*The new 4-H year is beginning and the perfect time to set your goals. If you have any ideas what we can do as a county—workshops, tours, speakers... Let us know! We are looking forward to a great year!!*

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## SENIORS

### State Awards

Information and applications are now posted for State 4-H Project Awards, State Council, State Tech Team, National Conference and National Congress.

All the information can be accessed at this link:

[Iowa 4-H Awards](#)

If you are interested in one or more of these opportunities, applications need to be in the State 4-H Office by March 1st. If you would like assistance with your application or need copies, please give the Poweshiek County Office a call.

### Scholarships

Juniors and Seniors: Iowa 4-H Scholarships are also on line at

[Iowa 4-H Scholarships](#)

These are due into the state 4-H Office by March 1st. These are offered only to Iowa 4-Hers. You may apply for as many as you are eligible for with one application.

If you have questions, need help with any of the application process or would like to have someone take a look at your application before you send it in, please give us a call at the office .

## PROJECTS

### Babysitting Course

A 6 week Babysitting Class will be offered at the Grinnell Drake Library Thursdays from 4—5:30 p.m., beginning January 12th and going through February 16th.



Classes will cover Safety, Child Development, Nutrition, Playtime, and the business of being a babysitter.

Participants will have opportunities to interact with children as well as create their own “Babysitting Bag” .

Registrations will be due January 7th. Fee will be \$25 for current 4-H members and \$35 for non 4-H Members.

### Jr. Master Gardener

Poweshiek 4-H will be partnering with Imagine Grinnell to offer a Jr. Master Gardener 4-H Club in Grinnell. The Program will be open to 1st through 8th Graders.

The first informational meeting will be March 22nd. With weekly meetings starting April 12th. Members will explore gardening and plants. They will plant, grow, harvest and exhibit produce at the County Fair. There will also be training in food preparation with fresh produce



Watch for more information this Spring.

## REMINDERS:

- \* 4-H @ ISU Women’s BB Game— January 14th—Have your tickets ordered by December 30th to insure a t-shirt. [Order Here](#)
- \* Winter Hullabaloo December 28th - 30th for Youth ages 8 to 12. For more information go to [Iowa 4-H Center](#)

- \* Please turn in a copy of your club program to the Extension Office
- \* Also please turn in your Club treasurer’s books , we only need them for a few days

**MISSION STATEMENT**  
4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING



## LIVESTOCK UPDATES

# Livestock Updates

### REMINDER:

Beef Weigh-in will be December 28th from 8 to 11 a.m. This includes 2nd year Bottle calves, production beef and Pen of 3.

There is no waiver to sign this year if 4-Her cannot be at the weigh-in.

- ◆ **NEW THIS YEAR**— The weights will be entered by county staff within a week of weigh-in. Each beef

**exhibitor weighing in market beef will need to log into 4-H online to verify the data. You will need to be enrolled and active (enrollment fees paid) prior to weigh-in.**

**Cost: All Fees must be paid at weigh in** -County tags will be \$1.50 each.

-Verification for Shows beyond the County level will be \$5 per animal per show .

## North Central Iowa Beef Extravaganza

Ellsworth College, Iowa Falls. January 28th 9:30 to 2:30.

A variety of interactive workshops and sessions are being planned for youth 4<sup>th</sup> grade through high school who register for this event. Topics include: Beef Health and Diseases; Creating a Beef Promotion; and Comparing and Evaluating Ground Beef.

There is no cost for youth to attend and a noon lunch will be provided. Parents are welcome to stay. Please pre-register at your local ISU County Extension Office by January 20. Registrations must include the Iowa 4-H Medical Information/Release Form. Both forms are available on line at [www.extension.iastate.edu/franklin](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/franklin) For more information contact the Franklin County Extension Office at 641-456-4811.

## Livestock Judging Video Tutorials

Mike Anderson, 4-H Youth Program Specialist has compiled a series of Livestock Judging Videos Tutorials.

[Livestock Judging](#)

or visit the Poweshiek Kids and Teens website for a Direct Link .

If you are just starting out with livestock or have been

involved in producing, showing or judging or a few years, check them out.

These are a great resource if you are wondering what a judge is looking for.

Videos are currently available for Beef, Meat Goat, Sheep and Swine.

## Rabbit Workshop

Poweshiek Fairgrounds will be the site for the 4H/FFA Rabbit/Cavy Workshop. The workshop will be March 18th from 12:30 to 4 :00. There will drawings and youth will have the opportunity to have their rabbits tattooed.

There will be an opportunity to “practice show” your animal. Watch for more information after January 1st.

**NEW - State Fair Rabbits will need to have a tattoo and be ID online by May 15th .**

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## DECEMBER

16th Beef Extravaganza  
 28th Beef Weigh-In  
 28th—30th Winter Hullabaloo—State 4H Center

## JANUARY

12th Babysitting Classes begin  
 14th 4-H Day at the ISU Women’s BB Game  
 15th County Council

## FEBRUARY

1st—Market Beef ID verified on line  
 Feb 10/11 Volunteer Retreat

## MARCH

1st - State Awards and Scholarships Due to State Office  
 - Horse Jamboree entries due to State Office  
 22nd—Jr. Gardener Organizational Meeting  
 23–24—SESS Instructor Training  
 24-25— ISU Horse Jamboree

## APRIL AND BEYOND

May 15 - Livestock ID online  
 June 26—28th—State 4-H Conference



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