

Tama County 4-H December 2020/ January 2021 News



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We take serving Iowans seriously, which is why we are prioritizing the health and safety of our community and staff.

If you have experienced a cough or fever in the last 24 hours (or any of the COVID19 Symptoms as stated by CDC) please do not attend 4-H meetings or events.

Thank you for understanding!

To help with mailing costs, Tama County 4-H will be trying a two month newsletter. Continue to watch your 4honline emails and Facebook for updates and reminders.

Please be aware of the newest guidelines from Iowa 4-H

1. Extension indoor programs and events, including 4-H club meetings, are limited to 15 people.
2. Extension outdoor programs and events, including 4-H club meetings, are limited to 30 people.
3. Face coverings are required when people are indoors.

Keep enrolling by December 31st to get 4-H news!

<https://v2.4honline.com>

****Use your previous 4honline email and password.****

4-H fee beginning December 1 is \$30.00

ALL payments must be made to the Extension Office—cash or check.

******Enroll in Projects******

If it very important to enroll in project areas. This indicates your interest in that project. The only way to receive animal weigh-in information is if you enroll in that project area.

*****3 meeting rule*****

To exhibit at the 2021 Tama County Fair, 4-H and Clover Kids must attend at least 3 club business meetings by June 1, 2021. If you find that you cannot make the 3, contact Jenny to make other arrangements.

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Livestock News

Market Beef Weigh-In– Sat. Dec 19 (8:30-11:00 a.m.) Tama Livestock Auction

A letter has been mailed to all enrolled beef project members. If have not received a letter, contact the Extension Office. Please read the letter for important safety guidelines—we request only 4-H members and parent/guardian come into the building.

This is for market beef. Breeding heifers come only if you need a tattoo and/or 4-H tag. ****NEW THIS YEAR– Families will be responsible for entering their own market animals in 4honline. Please read your letters closely and ask questions!**



Snowdate of Sat, Dec 26
8:30-11:00 a.m.



YQCA TRAINING (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals)

Required for 4-H members who will be exhibiting at the Tama County Fair and Iowa State Fair.



Swine, Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Goat, poultry, rabbit (includes all 4-H bottle animals)

This training must be completed by June 15, 2021.

YQCA can be completed in two ways:

Online (cost is \$12) Complete on your own time and in the comfort of your home and own device. Or you can contact the Extension Office to use one of their devices.

In person (cost is \$3 and coupons are available by contacting the Tama County Extension Office). See dates below. Registration must be completed online prior to attending training.

Registration must be completed online. Use your 4honline email and password.

<https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login>

The fee goes to the YQCA program, not Tama County Extension.

In Person Trainings – Must pre-register and pay \$3 online (\$3 coupons available)

Wed. December 30th -10:30-11:30 a.m.

Location Marshall County Fairgrounds

Sat. January 23 at 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Location Tama County Extension Office

Sat. February 13 at 9:00-10:00 a.m.

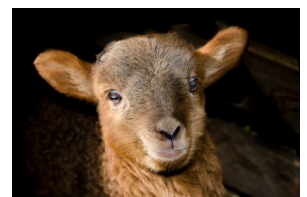
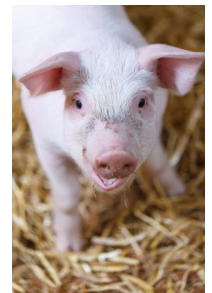
Location Tama County Extension Office

Thurs. March 18 at 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Location Tama County Extension Office

Tues. April 20 at 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Location Tama County Extension Office



2019-2021 4-H Awards

The County Council decided to not hold this year's annual program in person to keep all safe. We know that this past year has been a year of hard work, dedication and commitment of the Tama County 4-H'ers and their families. County Council members are planning to attend their club meetings in the next few months to present the 2019-2020 4-H awards.

Congratulations to all Clover Kids and 4-H members for their participation and hard work in 2019-2020.

2019-2020 Clover Kid Participation

Buckingham Boosters: Levi Murty, Karter Palmer

Clutier Clover Kids: Dustin Cibula, Hope Dvorak, Chance Forrester, Jaxson Gropper, Nash Hennings, Jalen Herink, Jack Monat, Josie Monat, Lane Svoboda, Wyatt Upah, Gavin Knoop, Eva Williams

Garwin Roughriders: Jake Ebersole, Elsie Ebersole, Levi Balmer

Gladbrook Clover Kids: Jenna Beichley, Beau DeWitt, Brianna Ferch, Colbie Fevold, Triscety Hulin, Adeline Kulhavy, Bennett Schmidt, Casein Sash, Dawson Sash, Dayton Sash, Ashton Sienknecht, Bentley Steven, Kooper Thiessen, Quinn Thede, Wilken Schmitz, Autumn Petersen, Taelyn Sash, Alaney Sienknecht

Tama Toledo Clover Kids: Gavin Babinat, Logan Babinat, Claire Bacon, Kolson Bro, Bowen Elsbury, Theo Kalinay, Kyle Murty, Brooks Upah, Kayda Wolf, Kacen Sorensen, Quintyn Schroeder, Cael Kaufman

Record Book Awards

Clover Kid Record Book: Gladbrook Clover Kids-Taelyn Sash, Dawson Sash, Casein Sash, Rory Boerm, Adeline Kulhavy; Tama Toledo Clover Kids-Kyle Murty

1st Year Record Book: Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls- Logan McKee; Garwin Roughriders-Berkley Dvorak; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds- Skyler Murty, Easton Sash

2nd Year Record Book: Buckingham Boosters-Rachael Murty; Garwin Roughriders-Violet Jackson; Toledo Techs-Kari Murty, Michael Henry; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Parker Schmidt, Caleb Ferch

3rd Year Record Book: Garwin Roughriders-Drayke Dvorak; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Rhianna Murty, Jayden Beichley

Completion Award

Buckingham Boosters-Dylan Hosek, Ryan Hosek; Garwin Roughriders-Berkley Dvorak, Drayke Dvorak, Jace Hlas, Frances Jackson, Wyatt Jackson, Violet Jackson; Toledo Techs-Kailee Keen, Kaylynn Murty, Kari Murty; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Jayden Beichley, Skyler Murty, Easton Sash, Conner Murty, Rhianna Murty, Caleb Ferch, Adelyn Sienknecht, Jay Bru, Layne Murty, Parker Schmidt; Young Guns-Rachel Silhanek, Lauren Keller

Membership Awards

4 year membership: Buckingham Boosters-Mason Hosek; Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls: Ava Monat, Abby Herman, Owen Hennings, Kylie Calderwood, Briar Blake; Toledo Techs-Kailee Keen, Audrey Anderson; Gladbrook Gals and Guys- Anna Mussig; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Jay Bru, Lane Boldt, Abigail Kemp, Carter Kemp, Owen Koester; Young Guns-Lauren Keller, Wyatt Silhanek

5 year membership: Buckingham Boosters-Ryan Hosek; Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls-Kaitlyn Calderwood, Jared Dvorak, Brooklyn Hubbard, Emily Hulme; Garwin Roughriders-Emilie Claussen; Toledo Techs-Maeley Elsbury, Holden Schirmer, Nate Drummer, Kayla Heck, Kaylynn Murty, Phillip Myli, Brooke Robison; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Stella Betts, Lillian Bru, Amaya Peterson, Adelyn Sienknecht, Sydney Vavroch

6 year membership: Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls-Grace Blake, Madison McKee, Levi Zobel; Garwin Roughriders-Wyatt Jackson, Angel Schewe, Grace Schewe; Toledo Techs: Amber Myli, Eric Henry, Hope Werner, Abby Sandvick; Gladbrook Gals and Guys-Henry Mussig; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Clayton Boldt, Ryan Koester; Young Guns-Hunter Caraccio, Tyler Caraccio, Hailey Palmer

2019-2021 4-H Awards

7 year membership: Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls-Grant Behrens, Andrea Dvorak, Clay Hershberger, Thomas Hulme, Aubree Monat, Molly Vogeler; Gladbrook Gals and Guys-Brandon Strohhahn; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Nathan Kucera

8 year membership: Buckingham Boosters-Dylan Hosek; Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls-Ellie Behrens, Cecilia Jergens, Paige Jergens, Emma Winkelpleck; Garwin Roughriders-Stephenie Claussen, Jace Hlas, Frances Jackson; Toledo Techs-Lane Lakin; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Conner Murty, Layne Murty, Ross Murty; Young Guns-Andrea Bolen, Dallas Bolen, Rachel Silhanek

9 year membership: Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls-Logan Brubaker; Garwin Roughriders-Hallie Claussen; Gladbrook Gals and Guys-Kerrigan Hatch, Samuel Mussig, Jordan Sherman, Brianna Strohhahn; Toledo Techs- Maisie Lacina, Jaydee Thiessen; Wolfcreek Whirlwinds-Katelyn Kucera, Ryan Thompson; Young Guns-Deanna Bolen

Project Awards

Clothing & Fashion Project Award: Madison McKee, Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls

Jr Clothing & Fashion Project Award: Violet Jackson, Garwin Roughriders

Poultry Project Award: Mason Hosek, Buckingham Boosters

Sheep Project Award: Lauren Keller, Young Guns

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Woodworking Project Award: Ryan Hosek, Buckingham Boosters

Food and Nutrition Project Award: Lillian Bru, Wolfcreek Whirlwinds

Rabbit Project Award: Mason Hosek, Buckingham Boosters



Toledo Techs and their awards

Horticulture Project Award: Frances Jackson, Garwin Roughriders

Horse and Pony Project Award: Lauren Keller, Young Guns

Beef Project Award: Layne Murty, Wolfcreek Whirlwinds

Junior Beef Project Award: Rhianna Murty, Wolfcreek Whirlwinds

Visual Arts Project Award: Ryan Hosek, Buckingham Boosters

Junior Dog Project Award: Rachael Murty, Buckingham Boosters

Goat Project Award: Rachael Silhanek, Young Guns

Photography Project Award: Ryan Hosek, Buckingham Boosters

Senior (grades 9-12) Awards

Senior Merit Award: Dylan Hosek, Buckingham Boosters

Senior Citizenship Award: Frances Jackson, Garwin Roughriders

Senior Agriculture Award: Conner Murty, Wolfcreek Whirlwinds

Senior Leadership Award: Frances Jackson, Garwin Roughriders

Livestock Achievement Award: Frances Jackson, Garwin Roughriders

National Leadership Award: Dylan Hosek, Buckingham Boosters

Officer Awards

Secretary: Jace Hlas, Garwin Roughriders

Historian: Lauren Keller, Young Guns; Lillian Bru and Jayden Beichley Wolfcreek Whirlwinds

4-H Spirit Award

Riley Svoboda, Clutier Cowboys and Cowgirls



December 2020 Activities

County Council Meeting for those in 10-12th grade!!



December 6 at 2:00 p.m. **Meet in Hy-Vee Parking Lot (Toledo)

The Tama County 10-12th grade County Council received from Iowa Select and the Deb & Jeff Hansen Foundation 4 boxes of pork loins and \$500 to create food baskets for families in need!! At this meeting, we will be picking up and packaging the food baskets!! Congratulations and thank you to these members for their service and sharing!

Youth Beef Workshop—Dec. 8 at 6:00 p.m. at the Marshall County Fairgrounds

This workshop is for those in grades 4-12. Supper provided at 5:30 p.m.

Chris Clark, ISU Beef Specialist will cover the topics: Carcass Evaluations, Record Keeping, Basic Nutrition

Register by December 4th https://iastate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_agbPT7O0AS6fD4V . Due to Governor's Proclamation—space is limited. Tama County has 5 spots for this workshop. Sign up now!

NE IA Show Goat Clinic– Virtual Event Thursday, December 10 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Join show expert Tayler Etzel (Cargill Animal Nutrition) for a virtual hour of all things meat goat. Topics include meat goat selection, daily care and nutrition, show day prep & showmanship.

RSVP by December 4th by emailing Michele Kelly (kellymd@iastate.edu) or call the Fayette County Extension Office (563-425-3331). An email with the meeting link and directions will be sent out to all RSVP families on December 7th.

Youth Pork Workshop- Dec. 30 at the Marshall County Fairgrounds

This workshop is for those in grades 4-12.

10:30-11:30 a.m. YQCA Training—must pre-register online and pay \$3.00. <https://yqca.learnrow.io>

11:30 Lunch—Free

12:30 p.m. ISU Swine Specialist Colin Johnson presents on: Pig Selection, Meat Quality, Carcass Evaluation

Pre-registration is required for lunch and the swine presentation

https://qtrial2016q3az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b9nUGmokGDmXDdb

You can choose to come to both the YQCA training and presentation or choose one.

The presentation will count for Tama County Pork Producers annual training.

Beef Weigh-In December 19 (snow date of Dec 26)

Weigh-in is for Market Beef and for Breeding Heifers that need a tattoo and/or 4-H tag.

Office Closed for the Holidays December 24 & 25, 2020



January 2021 Activities

Quiz Bowl and Skillathon Informational Meeting— January 7, 2021 at 7 p.m. VIRTUAL

What is a quiz bowl? What is a skillathon? Join this virtual meeting to learn more! (If you cannot attend but are interested, please contact Jenny.)

Zoom link will be emailed to families January 4th.

Livestock quiz bowl is a team event for 4th-12th graders where they test their knowledge of beef, sheep, swine and meat goats. Students use a buzzer to answer questions and the teams compete in a double elimination format by providing oral answers to questions presented by a moderator.

Skillathon contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, quality assurance, selection, meat evaluation and other livestock skills.

These are team activities and we want to form teams from Tama County 4-H. We already had an awesome team formed that received 3rd place in the State this year! If you are interested, please join in this meeting to learn more. A terrific way to learn more about livestock projects and work together as a Tama County team and compete with others in the State of Iowa!



Youth will:

- Learn the concept of mindfulness and its connection to stress management, and overall well-being
- Gain an understanding of the benefits of mindfulness
- Learn about, reflect upon, and practice a variety of mindfulness practices
- Identify areas in their own life in which they can apply mindfulness to improve well-being, relationships, and academic or extracurricular performance
- Set long-term self-care and mindfulness goals
- Become aware of community and national resources to seek help if experiencing mental illness such as depression or anxiety and/or thoughts of suicide

Mindful Teen Workshop 6 week Series (virtual)

Open to 7-12th graders. Cost is \$10 (contact the Tama Co Extension Office for financial assistance). You will receive a book, journal and supplies needed for this virtual experience.

This is open to all youth (you do not need to be enrolled in 4-H to attend, so please share with friends).

Workshops will be once a week for 6 weeks. Register for one of the following:

Mon. Jan 11-Feb 15 at 6:30 p.m. or Thur. Jan 14-Feb 18 at 6:00 p.m.

<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ehdsl1r71430af4f&oseq=&c=&ch=>

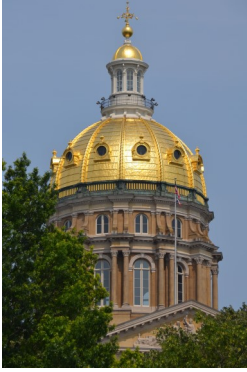


Outdoor Skills—Jan 30th, 9 am to noon

Open to those in grades 4-12. Event will be held at the Otter Creek Lake and Park Nature Center. Learn from Tama County Naturalist Brendan Kelly how to: Build a Fire, Build a Shelter and Ice Fishing. There is no fee but registration is required. Contact the Tama County Extension Office by Jan 27th to register. In case of bad weather, a snow date is scheduled for Feb 6th.



Other News



Save the Date for Legislative Day 2021

Our annual trip to the capital will look different this year. Tama County will join all of Iowa 4-H in a Virtual Legislative Day. Iowa Extension Council Association and 4-H Legislative Day is a county program opportunity for elected extension council members and senior-level (8-12th grade) 4-H members to learn about and experience the legislative process.

This event will take place on Wednesday, February 17, 2021. Sign up will be in January. More information to come in an email.



Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarship

Are you an Iowa 4-H'er planning to attend college? The Iowa 4-H Foundation knows it's not easy to finance a college education, and we know that many Iowa 4-H'ers can use help achieving their educational goals. Consider applying for an Iowa 4-H Scholarship, funded by donors through the Iowa 4-H Foundation. Designed to encourage Iowa

4-H members to continue their education beyond high school, our current scholarship program offers over **90** scholarships worth more than **\$100,000**. Scholarships range in value from \$500 to \$10,000. Thank you to the donors who make these scholarships possible!

The Iowa 4-H Foundation scholarship applications are open now and through Feb. 1, 2021.
https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/en/funding_for_4hers/scholarships/

Herbert Hoover Uncommon Student Award

The Herbert Hoover Uncommon Student Award is a \$10,000 scholarship program for Iowa high school juniors. The program annually identifies and honors up to 15 Iowa high school juniors who propose and then accomplish a project of their own choosing and design. Grades, test scores, essays and financial need are not evaluated. Each of the 15 finalists will receive a \$1,500 cash award at the completion of the program. Three of those could earn an additional \$10,000 scholarship each, for a total of \$11,500!

<https://hooverpresidentialfoundation.org/uncommon-student-award/>



Mark your Calendars for the IFAA Scholarship application that opens 2/1/2021.

College-bound Iowa youth active in 4-H and/or FFA livestock and agricultural projects and current undergraduate students may apply for scholarships available from the Iowa Foundation for Agricultural Advancement (IFAA).

The scholarships are available to freshmen entering any Iowa two or four-year, post-secondary institution this fall and current undergraduates attending Iowa State University. Applicants must major in animal science or a curriculum in agriculture or human sciences that is related to the agriculture industry. Winner's Circle scholarship funds come from a percentage of Sale of Champions proceeds as well as Winner's Circle Club donations.

<https://ifaa.org/>





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COVID-19 Statement: We are prioritizing the health and safety of Iowans and are following the most current federal, state, local, and university COVID-19 guidelines. Visit <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/vp/open-iowa> to learn our protocols to keep Iowans healthy and safe. Participants are strongly encouraged to wear a cloth face covering when in the presence of others and unable to maintain a six-foot physical distance.

Event cost refund policy: Full refunds will be issued if an event is cancelled. NO refund will be given for participants who cancel less than 48 hours in advance or don't show up. Please see event registration pages for more event-specific restrictions.

Fees Statement: The fees for services will be used to offset direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development County Extension Program.

Justice Statement: This institution is an equal opportunity provider. For the full non-discrimination statement or accommodation inquiries, go to www.extension.iastate.edu/diversity/ext.