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4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER

November 2022

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Fair Information

Annual 4–H Award Program



Sunday, November 13

5:30 pm

Gladbrook Memorial
Building

We will celebrate achievements of Clover Kids and 4-H members from the 2021-2022 4-H year!

County Council members will lead the awards program (please arrive at 4:30 pm)

Potluck will begin at 5:30 pm and award program to follow. Families please bring a dish or dishes to share. Plates/silverware/napkins/cups/drinks will be provided.

Join us for a night of celebration and a kick-off to the new 4-H year!

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Enrollment is now \$30 for 4-12th graders

Register Now

Each year, all returning and new 4-H and Clover Kid members must enroll in 4honline!

Enroll online at <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

Beginning November 1, the 4-12th grade program fee for Iowa 4-H is \$30. Clover Kids has no fee at the state level but your group may request a fee to help cover costs of supplies.

We want all enrolled by December 31, 2022.

Only those enrolled and paid by that date will receive the January newsletter!

Thank you!



2022 Fall Festival

Thank you to all who attended the 2022 Fall Festival.

Special thank you to the County Council members who helped with this event. It was a great night of games and meeting people from across the county.

2022 Officer Training and Grilled Cheese Challenge

On October 16th, County Council members and elected club officers met to learn about their officer roles and competed in a Grilled Cheese Challenge! There were some interesting combinations of cheese, fruits/veggies and seasonings.

****Treasurer and Secretary—if you did not attend the meeting, it is your responsibility to contact Jenny Hulme by December 1 to set up a training.**



National 4-H Week

Thank you to everyone who helped promote 4-H during National 4-H Week. There were clubs that decorated store fronts, wore their t-shirts to school and more. Every little bit helps us promote Tama County 4-H!



Thank a Farmer

A special treat to farmers this year were buckets filled with snacks as well as safety info. Toledo Techs along with ISU Extension and Outreach and Theisen's donated towards this project.



The buckets were distributed to local coops who handed them out to farmers. Thank you farmers and continue to be safe this harvest season!

Livestock News

Market Beef Weigh-In—Save the Date

December 23, 2022 (8:30-11:00 am)

Snow date December 24, 2022

Tama Livestock Auction

**A letter will be mailed on December 1 to all members who have entered the beef project in 4honline. If you did not enter it when you enrolled, contact the Extension Office to get your name on the list.

This letter will have all the important information for your weigh-in.

This weigh-in is for market heifers, market steers, pen of three and breeding heifers that need a tattoo and 4-H tag.



YQCA

All 4-H (no Clover Kids) livestock exhibitors are required to be YQCA certified for county and State Fair exhibition for the following:

- * Beef
- * Dairy Cattle/Dairy Goat
- * Meat Goat
- * Poultry
- * Rabbit
- * Sheep
- * Swine

****THIS MUST BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 15, 2023 in order to exhibit at the Tama County Fair.**

Training can be completed online (cost \$12) <https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login>

Or can be completed at an in person training (cost \$3). Must pre-register online (see above). Coupon code for the in person training available by contacting the Extension Office.

There are NO coupons for the online training.

Mark your calendars for these in person trainings

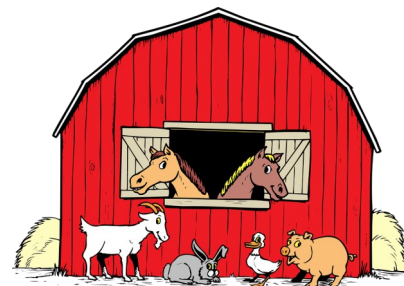
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Tues. February 21—6:30-7:30 pm Traer Library

Sat. March 18—9:00-10:00 am Extension Office

April 5th will be a Bus Trip to Ames More information on the bus trip and how to sign up for training will be in future newsletters.

Put the dates on your calendar so you don't miss the deadline and aren't able to exhibit!



Upcoming Events

Legislative History Trip

Did you know that the Iowa Capitol was first in Iowa City?

Who was the only Iowa President?

President Hoover
(31st President)



Join 4-H members in grades 7-9 and friends as we visit West Branch to tour the Herbert Hoover Library and Museum. We will then travel to Iowa City to visit the Old Capitol Museum and University of Iowa Natural History Museum. Grundy, Marshall, and Hardin Counties will be joining Tama County in this experience.



Thursday, November 10, 2022

Tours will be 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (will leave the Tama County Extension Office at 7:15 am and return to the office at approximately at 4:30 pm)

Cost is \$20 for transportation and snacks.

Bring your own sack lunch

Registration is due by 4:30 pm November 3 by contacting the Tama County Extension Office.

Strawberry Jam Workshop



Preserving foods at home is not difficult, but it does require following research-based recipes.

Join us at this youth workshop to learn how to make jam and prepare an exhibit for county fair.

Date: Wednesday, December 28, 2022

8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Youth completing grades 4-12 are welcome

Open to 4-H and non 4-H members

Location: Peace United Church of Christ, Gladbrook (201 Johnston St, Gladbrook)

Cost: \$10.00 per youth.

To Register: Contact the Tama County Extension office by December 16. Workshop limited to 16.

WHAT YOU'LL DO...

- Be introduced to Waterbath canning.
- Receive food preservation handouts.
- Learn how to make jam.
- Practice filling jars.
- Learn how to prepare your jam for exhibit at the county fair.
- Take two jars of jam home to enter at the county fair.

Winter Break 4-H night at the Waterloo Black Hawks!!

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 28th for \$10 discounted ticket night of Black Hawk Hockey.

Puck drops at 7:05 pm. For discounted ticket information, check out the flier found on our website <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/tama/youth-programs>.



Upcoming Opportunities

Swine Royalty

Applications are due December 1st and can be found on our 4-H website in the upcoming events box.

Interested in becoming
Tama County Pork Producers ROYALTY?



Age Guidelines:

Tama County Pork Queen	16 to 18 year old girls
Tama County Pork Princess	13 to 15 year old girls
Tama County Pork Ambassador	13 to 18 year old boys & girls

*age as of annual Tama County Pork Banquet

Requirements:

Be a willing spokesperson and representative of the pork industry.

For more information, please contact Samantha DeWitt, 515-297-0500

Beef Blast—December 3, 2022

Beef Blast is a program for 7-12th grade students interested in beef cattle production. The program focuses on real world topics that impact the beef industry and youth producers. Students do not have to be enrolled in 4-H or own beef cattle.

Held at Kildee Hall on Iowa State University Campus

Cost: \$40 (includes lunch and all learning materials)

Schedule:

9 am Registration

9:30 am Welcome

9:45-11:45 am Workshops—Live Cattle Selection, Purchasing Cattle online, What to look for in a photograph

11:45 am Lunch—What is an Animal Scientist?

1:00-3:00 pm—Workshops—The Science of Beef, Hands-on in the ISU Meat Laboratory, Beef Genetics

3:00 pm Break

3:15 pm Evaluations and wrap up

Registration in 4honline <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

by using your family ID/password and going to the event tab and selecting Beef Blast

Swine Grant

The Tama County Pork Producers are looking for 4-H and FFA members (grades 4-12th) to apply for the 2023 Swine Grant.

This grant is for members who have never shown swine before. The grant will purchase 6 feeder pigs, feed and education/support.

Application process includes: An application, essay questions and a letter of reference from your 4-H/FFA leader. All applicants will have an interview with the swine grant committee.

Those selected will attend field trips/meetings, the annual Pork Producer banquet, exhibit at the 2023 Tama County Fair and submit their record book.

More information, a list of guidelines and the application are available at the Extension Office or found on the website under County Fair.

Applications must be postmarked by December 1, 2022 or sooner.

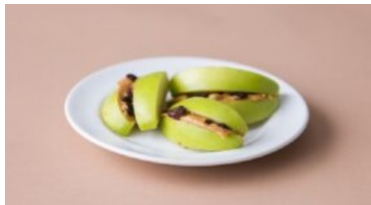
Applicants will receive information from the Tama County Pork Producers and not the



For Fun

Try this fall recipe—Apple Smiles. For more recipes, check out this website <https://spendsmart.extension.iastate.edu/recipe>

- 1 medium apple
- 1 **tablespoon** peanut butter
- 2 **tablespoons** raisins



1. Cut apple into quarters. Remove core. Cut quarters into 3 slices each.

2. Spread peanut butter on one side of each apple slice.

3. Place 3 or 4 raisins on top of peanut butter on one apple slice.

4. Top with another apple slice, peanut butter side down. Squeeze gently.

What are 4-H Clubs and Clover Kids doing in November?

Each month, 4-H Clubs and Clover Kids will have an educational activity that can be led by members (if there is time).

In November—4-H Clubs will learn about putting together a winter car survival kit.

Clover Kids will be having a moon adventure.



See you soon!



New Member Night

Are you newer to Tama County 4-H?

Wonder what a record book is?

What do we do to get ready for fair?

What is 4-H???

This workshop is to talk to parents about 4-H and to help them understand what they can do to help their 4-H member.

Tuesday, November 22 6:30-7:30 pm

Tama County Extension Office

Please RSVP to 641-484-2703 or jhulme@iastate.edu by November 18th.

If you cannot attend this meeting but are interested in learning more, reach out to the office to set up another time.

Bring your questions! We are here to help you! Welcome to Tama County 4-H!

Mandatory Annual Leaders' Training

November 15, 2022- 6:00 –8:00 PM

Leaders, please mark your calendars for the annual Leaders' Meeting and mandatory training **November 15 at the Tama County Extension Office.**

During the meeting, Katie Lubbert, 4-H Youth Program Specialist, will lead the training. 4-H Club, Clover Kids, and Shooting Sports Instructors are all required to attend this volunteer training each year. It is important to keep all leaders informed of the newest material to help each of your clubs strengthen and grow.

* Please RSVP by **Nov 11th** by calling 641-484-2703 or email Jenny (jhulme@iastate.edu).

**Also make sure you are viewing the required online training when submitting your enrollment. You cannot be approved until that is completed.

Calendar of Events

Mark Your Calendars

November 10 Legislative History Trip (7-9th graders)

November 13 Award Program at 5:30 pm
Gladbrook Memorial Building

November 15 Annual Leader's Training

November 22 New Member Night

December 23 Beef Weigh-In

Snow date of December 24

December 28 Jam Workshop

YQCA training

JANUARY 2023 All enrolled AND paid members will continue to receive the 2023 newsletter

January 24-25 (4-8th grade) Lock-In

June 25 Clothing and
Communications Event

June 27-29 Iowa 4-H Conference

July 5 Garden Judging

July 8 Fair Clean Up

July 10-16 Tama County Fair

Aug 10-20 Iowa State Fair



Fair Reminders

Fair 2023 is July 10-16, 2023

Theme to be announced later in year.

All 4-H members and Clover Kids must have attended at least three business meetings of their primary 4-H club by June 1, 2023 in order to exhibit at the 2023 Tama County Fair.

ALL animals must be identified in 4honline by May 15, 2023.

Tama County Entries are due June 15, 2023.

YQCA must be completed by June 15, 2023.

Communications—In order to be selected to the Iowa State Fair—you must have given your presentation at your club prior to the fair.

Horse Exhibitors - Are required to attend a pre-fair workshop. Workshop date will be announced.

[Tama County Livestock and Fair Association meeting is November 28 at 7 pm at the Tama County Extension Office.](#)

YQCA

Those 4-12th grade members exhibiting beef, swine, sheep, goats, dairy cattle, rabbit and poultry must be YQCA certified by June 15, 2023 in order to exhibit at the Tama County Fair. Can be completed online or at a in person training . **Coupons are available for the in person training by contacting the Extension Office (\$3 value)

Dates for Tama County in person training are:

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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.

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