Happy Spring To All!!!
It’s good to finally be able to say spring is here though temps have been below normal most days! Still “Hope Springs Eternal”. Evidence dots the landscape that we are well into the new life season in every area of the county. Here at Extension we are gearing up for 4-H activities including many camping opportunities, livestock shows as well as our local and state fairs. Deadlines are approaching so please read over your newsletter carefully to see which ones apply to you and as always call us at the Wayne County Extension Office if you have questions! We are here to help!

Patty

TROPHY/AWARD DONORS NEEDED FOR 2014 WAYNE COUNTY FAIR!!!

Have you ever wanted to show your support for a 4-Her by sponsoring a trophy, plaque or banner at the fair?!?! Well now’s your chance. Please contact Jamie Swearingin for a list of available sponsorships. These awards are a significant way to compel the kids we come face to face with in our communities to pick something that interests them, learn about it, experience it and share what their experiences were and maybe at some point even master a skill that they’ll be able to use for a lifetime? Please phone Jamie at 641-344-1045 for more information on how you can play a part.
MISSION STATEMENT
4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING

SUMMER CAMP – COME GET AWAY!!!
2 DAY AND 5 DAY CAMPS

“REGIONAL” SUMMER CAMPS MENU!

“Way Out West Camp” for 7th & 8th graders June 9th & 10th @ Camp Appanoose on Lake Rathbun. Sign up deadline is May 15th. Cost: $100.00 Activities include: Horseback Riding, Kayaking, swimming, (Life guard on duty) Camp fires, sleeping in covered Conestoga wagons (Air conditioned), meals also included

“Survivor Camp” for 7th & 8th graders June 17-18th @ Stephen’s State Forest. Team up with others to do Distress Survival Challenge, Scavenger Hunt Challenge, Sports Challenge and more. See if your team will be the ultimate 4-H Survivors!!! Cost TBD

“Blast from the Past” West Junior Camp June 10th & 11th @ Monroe County Fair Grounds. Cost $80.00

“Blast from the Past” East Junior Camp August 12th & 13th @ Davis County Fair Grounds. Cost $80.00

STATE 4-H CAMPS: For details & online registration for State 4-H Camps go to: www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Camping

4-H EVENT/CAMP $ ASSISTANCE

4-H Event financial assistance applications are available online through the Iowa 4-H Foundation. This includes assistance for county and regional camps held at the Iowa 4-H Center and State 4-H Youth Conference. Application forms are due by April 25 to county extension offices and to the Iowa 4-H Foundation postmarked no later than April 30th.

COMMUNICATIONS & THE ARTS

Giving a Presentation: Where to Start????
Have you ever given a presentation to your 4-H Club? Or have you thought about giving an Educational Presentation at the county fair, but you are not sure where to start? Check out the Pieces to a 4-H Presentation Puzzle: I have to do what? This publication is free to download from the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach store. It is available at: store.extension.iastate.edu by searching for 4H 850A. By following this publication, you will learn all that is needed when putting together a presentation, so you can feel confident when you are standing in front of the audience!
ATTENTION ALL 4-H’ers Exhibiting Livestock—

**Food Safety Quality Assurance is a REQUIRED training for:** Beef, Sheep, Dairy, Dairy Goat, Swine, Meat Goat, Poultry & Rabbit Exhibitors.

**To be FSQA certified:**
4-H’ers in grades 4-6 must attend a 2 hour certification program every year
Grades 7-9 Attend training each year or complete the intermediate test
Grades 10-12 Attend training each year or complete the senior test
If you missed Wayne Counties March 31st training night see below for adjoining counties training calendar dates:

**Lucas Cty.** April 9th @ Pin Oak Lodge 6:30 Phone 641-774-2016

**Appanoose Cty.** April 10th @ Extension Office Phone 641-856-3885

**Decatur Cty.** @ Fairgrounds 4-H Bldg. Junior 4-Her’s 4/3 7:00, 4/14 7:00, Senior Testing 4/9 6:30 Phone 641-446-4723

**AS A COURTESY PLEASE CALL AHEAD IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING A NEIGHBORING COUNTIES TRAINING/TESTING.**

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**SHEEP / MEAT GOAT WEIGH IN**

**May 3rd** 9am - 11am @ fair grounds. All market animals must attend; county only animals are FREE. State Fair animals ($5/hd) - all animals must be tagged and retinal imaged (meat goat does may use a tattoo as id). Ak-Sar-Ben animals ($5/hd) - all animals will have DNA pulled

**REMINDER:** All reproductively intact sheep and goats, except wethers, require scrapie tags. This includes ewes, rams and does. ALL SHEEP TAGS AND STATE FAIR GOAT TAGS MUST BE IN THE ANIMALS EARS BEFORE WEIGH-INS. All county fair goat tags must be in to be shown at the fair. If you need more information contact the Extension office.

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**SPRING FLING GOAT SHOW**

The 2nd Annual Spring Fling Goat Show will be held at the Wayne County Fair Grounds May 10th. Check in is from 9-10 with the show starting at 11:00. Registration forms may be printed off by going to the web site at www.abga.org.

If you think you might be interested in showing goats as a 4-H project this would be an excellent time to see what it entails. You are welcome to come and spectate & talk to exhibitors.

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**OUR VISION**

A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSTIVE CHANGE
Calling All Wayne County 4-H Clubs! The 2014 Wayne County 4-H fundraising effort this year will be consisting of “Bucket of Junk” sculptures. Each club is called upon to assemble one five gallon bucket of iron and metal miscellaneous junk to make a “Creation of Artistic Interest”. Then said “Creations” will be auctioned off at the fair as a fundraiser to help pay for 4-Her’s enrollment fees as well as fund activities for our 4-Hers. Some iron/metals have been donated to the cause by interested residents and offers of assistance with assembling/welding of the sculptures has been offered as well! Please contact Patty @ Extension for details.

**4-H SUMMER YOUTH CONFERENCE**

2014 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference: Ticket to Success: The dates have been set for **June 24-26, 2014** for a great three-day adventure at **ISU** for Iowa’s youth. We also wanted to share that the registration cost for this year’s conference has been set as well. **Delegate registration costs will be $175 per person.** This is the same fee for both youth and adults and covers 2 nights of lodging, 7 meals, 3 keynote speakers, transportation for workshops and community service, facility rental, 2 dances, and a t-shirt, among other supports and services. When you look at your return on investment, it’s priceless. Additional registration information, logo designs, and conference details will be coming in late February to early March, but we wanted to share the registration fee so counties and families can begin to plan for budgeting. If you have any questions about the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference, check out the website for updates at: [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference) or contact Brenda Allen, 515-294-1567 or bsallen@iastate.edu.

**2014 JOHNSON COUNTY OPEN BEEF SHOW**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 27**

Check-In: 8:00 - 9:30 A.M.

Show Time: 11:00 A.M.

Pre-Entry Due Before April 11

JOHNSON CO. FAIRGROUNDS

4265 Oakcrest Hill Road SE

Iowa City, Iowa 52246

IJBBA Sanctioned. Health papers required for all animals - Registration papers required for all breeds - Bedding not provided. Generators recommended - Pre-entry not required, but appreciated - Food available. FOR MORE INFORMATION: Camie Marshek: (319) 337-2145 cmarshek@iastate.edu

**ANOUNCING NEW “ADULT” CONTEST DIVISION:** As interest has sparked among the “non” youth of our county we are now extending our contest to all interested parties who are willing to fashion “some thing” of interest to be sold for the sake of raising funds to support our counties youth. **Contest difference:** The adult competition will not be limited to a bucket. The item can be as small as you want but not bigger than what can be lifted by hand(s) into the bed of a pickup. Keep in mind that items will be auctioned during each day of the fair so many prospective buyers may not have transportation for extra large heavy items and thus may not bid. **GOOD LUCK!!!!**

**2014 “BUCKET OF JUNK” 4-H FUNDRAISER**

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CROP SCOUTING COMPETITION

The ISU Integrated Pest Management Program is hosting a Crop Scouting Competition for Iowa Youth in 9-12 grades. The purpose is to provide students an opportunity to learn crop scouting and principles of integrated pest management for corn and soybean in Iowa; to obtain knowledge and skills that will be helpful in future careers related to agriscience and to demonstrate newer crop scouting technologies. Prizes: $500 for 1st, $300 for 2nd, $150 for 3rd, $50 for 4th. Team Leaders: Each team is to be led and accompanied by an adult team leader. Teams should work with their leader to train for the event. Past team leaders have been FFA or Ag teachers, seed dealers, coop employees, etc. Preparation: A 14—part set of IPM presentations and ISU Field Guides are available to help prepare for the competition. Presentations can be found @ www.ipm.iastate.edu/ipm/cropscouting. Corn, Soybean and Weed ID Field Guides can be purchased at https://store.extension.iastate.edu

Registration cost is $50 per team which will be returned when teams arrive at the competition. Email ajisson@iastate.edu for more details.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP

WAYNE COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

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## Calendar

**APRIL**

- **APRIL 1ST – START ENTERING LIVESTOCK ID IN 4-H ONLINE!**
  - Opened 04-01-23
  - 3 - Fair Board mtg 6:30 pm @ Fairground Exhibit Bldg.
  - 6 - Clay Diggers club mtg
  - 7 - Benton Battlers club mtg
  - **13 - Clio Southwesterners club @ 2:30 Trash Pickup - Little Red Schoolhouse**
  - 9 - Union Hotshots club mtg
  - 9 - Wayne Wranglers club mtg
  - 15 - Benton Busy Bees club mtg
  - 16 - Warren Willpower club mtg
  - 16 - Walnut Monroe club mtg
  - 16 - Extension Council mtg @ Mac’s liquor bldg. 6:00 some times postponed—call office
  - 26 - Decatur county sheep/goat weigh in
  - 29-30 Horse Jamboree ISU

**MAY**

- **FAMILY DEADLINE - ENTER/VERIFY LIVESTOCK ID BEFORE 15TH IN 4-H ONLINE—CALL OFFICE IF YOU NEED HELP**
  - 3 - Wayne County sheep/goat weigh in 9 am @ fair grounds
  - 4 - Clay Diggers Club mtg
  - 5 - Benton Battlers club mtg
  - 10 - ABGA Spring Fling Goat Show At WC Fair Grounds
  - 14 - Clio Southwesterners club mtg
  - 14 - Union Hotshots club mtg
  - 14 - Wayne Wranglers mtg.
  - **BY 15TH- Livestock entries due in 4-H Online**
  - 20 - Benton Busy Bees club mtg
  - 21 - Warren Willpower club mtg
  - 21 - Walnut Monroe club mtg
  - 21 - Extension Council mtg

**JUNE**

- 1 - Clay Diggers Club mtg
- 2 - Benton Battlers club mtg
- 11 - Aksarben Deadline
- 11 - Clio Southwesterners club mtg
- 11 - Union Hotshots club mtg
- 11 - Wayne Wranglers mtg.
- 17 - Benton Busy Bees club mtg
- 18 - Warren Willpower club mtg
- 18 - Walnut Monroe club mtg
- 18 - Extension Council mtg

**JULY**

- 1—State Fair Entry Deadline
- 22-28 Wayne County Fair

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**WANT TO KNOW MORE?**

FIND US AT: EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/4H/YOUR COUNTY NAME HERE
2014 4-H LIVESTOCK RULE CHANGES, UPDATES & DEADLINES

**IMPORTANT:** April 1st 4-H Online opens up! Enter your livestock ID information. Deadline to enter livestock ID information is **BY** May 15th.

**4-H Livestock Homepage:** [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock)

⇒ Refer to 4-H 202 document: Iowa 4-H Livestock Show Requirements

⇒ Animal Care Documents/Posters

**4-H Online Animal Type Changes:**

- **Bucket/Bottle Animal**—replaces Bucket/Bottle Calf—Select (calf, lamb, goat when identifying)
- Market Beef—added a birthdate field (heifers only)
- Dog—ability to upload rabies certificate

**HORSE**

- Increase entry limit from 5 classes to 6 classes per exhibitor
- State Fair Class Deleted—Reigning
- State Fair NEW Classes: Miniature Horse Halter, Walk/Trot, 2/3 Year Old Western Pleasure

**ID Reminders:**

- ID a maximum of 5 horses total per 4-H'er; of those 5 max. of 2 can be leased. No leasing of halter horses. Leased horses must have a completed lease form in 4-H Online. Each horse can only be ID’ed by one 4-H’er unless there are more 4-H’ers in a family than horses. 4-H’ers can ID horses in 4-H and FFA as long as they are different horses.

**Meat Goats**

Again in 2014: All meat goats (wethers AND does) MUST have a 4-H tag in place and wethers must have retinal images

**Sheep**

All State Fair sheep must have a 4-H tag and retinal images. No-shearing rule: “All market lambs, performance lambs and commercial ewes must be slick shorn upon arrival to the fair grounds. Also Carcass (Performance) Division Change: ALL market lambs will be scanned during check-in using ultrasound instead of kill carcass data. No live performance lamb show & no performance lamb requirement. Allows all of 4-H’ers animals exhibited to have data. Rankings/Awards announced during State Fair.

**Swine**—Again for 2014: County Fair swine show application & reporting—fair application form at least 30 days prior to show. Fair Show Report—within 5 days after fair show. Forms on 4-H Swine page. ALL swine need tag.

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