Hello All!

The holidays and end of the year are fast approaching! A new year always brings about some new changes. Those of you showing livestock please be sure and read over this newsletter closely.

We currently have EIGHT more new members! Those joining the fun are: Trent Terrell, Aubrey Bennett, Ty Campbell, Haliey Moore, Chelsea Johnson, Nick Thomas, Jaden Enright, Camryn Jacobsen WELCOME!!!

This year we are welcoming Clover Sprouts to our clubs as well. Those that have enrolled are: Quinn Jorgensen, Heidi Ballard, Paige Ballard, Patience Sanders, and Dayton Jacobsen.

We would LOVE for more to join! If you know of any friends that may be interested that have not yet enrolled please remind them to do so! It's not too late!

Thanks for a great 2012! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Debbie Ewing, CYC

State Scholarships available to graduating seniors
http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/scholarships
## County Livestock Information

### Beef Weigh In

| Date: Saturday, December 22, 2012 | Showing at county fair is FREE |
| Time: 10 AM - noon | State Fair - $5/hd |
| Place: Wayne County Fairgrounds | Ak-Sar-Ben - $5/hd |

### Congratulations

We just received the Ak-Sar-Ben Carcass results and ribbons:
- Kyle Andrews - ranked 13th out of 507 and received a purple ribbon with his lamb
- Kade Richman - ranked 271st out of 507 and received a blue with his lamb
- Chloe Gorestska - ranked 17th out of 141 and received a purple ribbon with her goat
- Ryan McConahay - ranked 148th out of 308 and received a blue ribbon with his hog

### Livestock Information/ Updates

#### General Changes:

ALL animals will be ID’ed in 4hOnline - those for county fair and/or state fair, with deadlines as follows:
- * Feb. 1 for market beef
- * May 15th for all other species
- * July 1 for State Fair rabbits

NOTE: All animals that come to a weigh in, the county staff will enter the information into 4hOnline. Families going to State Fair must verify this information. All other animals (breeding animals, dogs, and horses) families must enter their own information into 4hOnline.

#### 4-H/FFA Identification Rule Change

- √ 4-H members can now ID separate animals, but in the same “division”, in both 4-H and FFA
  - Example: 4-H’er could ID market lambs A, B, and C in 4-H and market lambs D, E, and F in FFA
  - Example: 4-H’er could ID horses A, B in 4-H and horses C, D in FFA

- √ State Fair exhibition rule still applies - 4-H’er can only show in market or breeding division in 4-H, and FFA in the other (i.e. market swine in 4-H, breeding swine in FFA); for rabbit, horse, poultry, and dairy (where there are not breeding and market separations), youth cannot exhibit in both 4-H and FFA

- √ County Fair - 4-H’er could show animals A, B as 4-H in county fair, then show animals D, E as FFA at the state fair

#### Maximum ID limits for both county and state fair 4-H animals in 4hOnline (number of animals)

| Breeding Beef | 10 | Market Beef | 10 | Dairy Cattle | 20 |
| Dairy Goat | 20 | Dog | 4 | Horse | 5 total; Max of 2 leased |
| Meat Goat (weighed in) | 10 | Rabbit | 30 | Poultry | (not required) |
| Meat Goat (not weighed) | 10 | Sheep (weighed) | 30 | Sheep (not weighed) | 15 |
| Swine (weighed in) | 40 |
| Swine (not weighed) | 40 |

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**LIVESTOCK INFORMATION/ UPDATES - CONTINUED**

**Discontinuation for 4-H Events**

State Fair Premier Exhibitor Contest (beef, sheep, swine)
Livestock Judging Circuit Points Program

**Beef**

- Market Heifer/Breeding Heifer ID Change
  - *If heifer is originally weighed in as a market heifer, the animal does NOT need to be ID’ed again in 4hOnline as a breeding heifer*
  - *If the heifer does show breeding instead of market, be sure a breed is designated at weigh-in time in 4hOnline by Feb. 1 or the heifer will only be eligible as a crossbred*

- Adding fall-aged heifers to 2013 State Fair show
  - Born Sept. 1 - Dec. 31 of 2011; also heifers born in 2012 are eligible

**Swine**

- State Fair exhibitors can exhibit a maximum of 3 breeding gilts per breed and a maximum of 3 commercial gilts
- Increase maximum weight limit for market hogs from 290 to 300 lbs
- Discontinuation of the 4-H Derby Swine show (I hear cheering!!!)
  - *No regional state fair swine weigh-ins in the spring*
  - *All state fair swine nominations will happen through the county office*
  - *All state fair market and breeding swine will still need DNA ear punch tags*
  - *All swine will still need to be ID’ed in 4hOnline by May 15th*
  - *Counties will order DNA tags and materials from state 4-H office and mail back DNA tag samples in DNA envelopes*
  - *Counties will determine if staff will DNA tag pigs and enter information into 4hOnline or if the 4-H’er will be allowed to obtain tags from county staff, go tag pigs and return DNA samples to county offices*

**Meat Goats**

- Removal of the bracing rule; (anticipate this being enforced at the county fair as well), new rule will read as:
  - **All goats must have four feet on the floor in the show ring at all times. Lifting feet off the ground or placing on any support or altered ring surface is not acceptable. Exhibitors will receive one warning if they are found lifting or slapping goats. Second offenses will result in automatic exhibitor disqualification from the 4-H Meat Goat Show.**

- All meat goats (weather AND does) MUST have a 4-H tag in place and wethers must have retinal images
  - *If breeding meat goat does attend a weigh-in to get tagged, and are entered in 4hOnline by staff under the “weighed-in” category, the MUST have a birthdate; they do not need to be re-ID’ed under the “not weighed in” category*

**Rabbit**

- All rabbits eligible for State Fair must be ID’ed in 4hOnline by July 1
- This applies to all breeding/fancy/market rabbits
- All must have a tattoo entered in 4hOnline as well

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**WANT TO KNOW MORE?**

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LIVESTOCK INFORMATION/ UPDATES - CONTINUED

Sheep

✓ All State Fair sheep must have a 4-H tag and retinal images
  Market lambs, commercial ewes, purebred breeding ewes

Dog

✓ Change the Sr. Handling age division from 10 - 12 to 9-12 (grades)
✓ Would like to start a dog leader training committees
  Consistent rules, classes, trainings, etc. across all county and state fairs

Horse

✓ All State Fair eligible horses MUST have photos uploaded to 4hOnline by May 15th
✓ ID Changes
  Id a maximum of 5 horses per 4-H’er
  Of those 5, maximum of 2 can be leased
  NO leasing of halter horses
  Leased horses must have a completed lease form in 4hOnline
  Each horse can only be ID’ed by ONE 4-H’er unless:
    There are more 4-H’ers in a family than horses - for example, 4-H’er A and Be could both ID horse X
  4-H’ers can ID horses in 4-H and FFA as long as they are DIFFERENT horses - for example, horse A and B in 4-H, horse C and D in FFA
  State Fair exhibitors will still have to choose to show in either the 4-H horse show OR the FFA horse show, not both;
    but they could show FFA at county fair and 4-H at state fair
✓ New 4H 511C Publication, “Rules & Regulations for 4-H Equine Show in Iowa” due in January
✓ State Fair classes dropped
  2/3 Year Old Western Pleasure
  Saddleseat Pleasure
  Saddleseat Equitation
✓ State Fair classes added
  Halter: Mares age 3-7 years, 8 years & over; Gelding age 3-7 years, 8 years & over
  Halter: Pony all mares, then all geldings
  Flags - timed event on same day as barrels and pole bending
The Wayne County 4-H held their Recognition Event November 17 with 4-H’ers, their families, and fair supporters present to congratulate 4-H’ers on this past years accomplishments. Forty-five members completed and turned in record books. Record books are a great way for the members to learn the skill of record keeping.

Wayne County has 16 wonderful and giving leaders. These individuals assure that their members have a safe environment in which to try new things. These leaders oversee monthly meetings, help with numerous community service projects, and most importantly support these young people in learning life skills. Wayne 4-H leaders are: Tammy Terrell, Mandi Goretska, Lisa Veach, Chuck & Karen McCullough, Danny Lovett, Karen Richardson, Jason & Shonna Smith, Jean Lain, Niki Jones, Lana Clark, Jess Sager, Tracy Andrews, Cindy Miller, and Sonya Wallace. Three of our leaders have reached milestones. Tammy Terrell and Karen Richardson received a pin and certificate for being a leader for the past 10 years. Danny Lovett received his pin and certificate for reaching his 5th year as a leader.


Those receiving pins for submitting a record book are: 1st year – Erin Marquis, Harley Trimble, Justin Horton, Kaitlyn Couchman, Katherine Grimes, Lance Wallace, Lauren Terrell, Payton Runyon, Remington Spaur, Lincoln Spaur, Riley Davis, Tanner Ballard; 2nd year – Karissa Terrell, Karryn Nickell, Logan Smith, Seth Sheriff; 3rd year – Blake Moore, Macey Goretska, Raeshel Andrews, Stetson Baker, Naja Jones; 4th year – Ashlea Sanders, Connor Runyon, Kade Richman, Kamryn McDonald, Katelyn Rhodes; 5th year – Amy Ewing, Bailey Andrews, Blayde Baker, Geremiah Grimes, Trent Moore; 6th year – Brittany Snow, Dally Veach, Katelyn Campbell, Maxwell Richardson; 7th year – Dillon Lain, Kenton Lain, Cody McCullough, Brooke Eldridge; 9th year – Ashley Lain, Brody Eldridge, Courtney Hackett, Hannah Lain, Jacob Snow, Troy Richardson

Outstanding Record book certificates went to: Blake Moore, Stetson Baker, Kaitlyn Couchman, Payton Runyon, Katherine Grimes, Seth Sheriff, Macey Goretska, Blayde Baker, Ashley Lain, Hannah Lain, Jacob Snow and Britany Snow.

Exceptional Record book certificates went to: Lance Wallace, Harley Trimble, Amy Ewing, Trent Moore, Kenton Lain, Dillon Lain

Two awards were given for Outstanding Graduating Senior Record book. Jacob Snow and Brody Eldridge each received a $50 VISA card courtesy of Farm Credit Services of Ottumwa.

Bailey Andrews received a certificate for turning in the first record book.

Three clubs are honored for having the highest percentage of books turned in. This year’s winners were: 1st – Clio Southwesterners, 2nd – Warren Willpower and 3rd – Benton Battlers

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**2012 RECOGNITION EVENT - CON’T**

Project award pins were given to: Beef – Lauren Terrell, Connor Runyon; Child Development – Seth Sheriff; Citizenship – Amy Ewing, Dillon Lain; Clothing – Lance Wallace, Harley Trimble, Payton Runyon; Communications – Lance Wallace; Computer – Jacob Snow; Dog – Seth Sheriff; Food & Nutrition – Lance Wallace, Logan Smith, Katelyn Rhodes, Karissa Terrell, Brittany Snow; Goats – Brody Eldridge, Logan Smith; Home Improvement – Harley Trimble, Kaitlyn Couchman, Geremiah Grimes, Bladye Baker, Kamryn McDonald; Horse & Pony – Kaitlyn Couchman, Karissa Terrell; Horticulture – Ashlea Sanders; Personal Development – Erin Marquis; Pets – Courtney Hackett; Rabbit – Kamryn McDonald, Daily Veach; Science & Technology – Jacob Snow, Bailey Andrews, Brittany Snow; Sheep – Just Horton, Kade Richman; Swine – Tanner Ballard; Vet Science – Katelyn Campbell, Lance Wallace; Visual Arts – Raeshel Andrews, Karryn Nickell, Stetson Baker, Katherine Grimes; Wildlife – Lance Wallace, Remington Spaur; Woodworking – Seth Sheriff

Special Senior Awards – Achievement – Dillon Lain; Leadership – Jacob Snow; Citizenship – Brody Eldridge; Agriculture Award – Kenton Lain; Danforth – Kenton Lain, Dillon Lain.

**PROJECT IDEAS**

**Visual Arts**

* Explore and experiment with endless materials to make new art
* Develop your creative skills and talents
* Gain understanding of art history, cultures, and various techniques

Exhibit Ideas

* Piece of original art such as charcoal drawing, watercolor, pen and ink drawing, colored pencil drawing etc.
* Original optical illusion using shape and space
* Photo display of art found in your community or state
* Jewelry, pottery, paper mache etc, etc

Other Ideas

* Teach art activities at an afterschool or summer program
* Volunteer at a local art event
* Donate your art for a fundraiser
* Volunteer to serve on a local art council

Required

* Design Elements
* Art Principles

Find more project information at: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/
LEADERS CORNER

4-H IS FUN CONFERENCE

SAVE THE DATE
Looking for an opportunity to network with 4-H volunteers from around Southeast Iowa? Join us for the third annual 4-H is Fun Conference! On February 23, 2013 meet everyone at Indian Hills Community College in the Advance Technologies building on the Ottumwa Campus for a day packed with information, sharing and fun! Sessions will include information about Clover Kids, Club Dynamics, Communication Projects, and Motivating Youth as well as group sessions on science and fun activities. Registration begins at 9 am and the day concludes with door prizes at 3:15 pm. Cost is $10 per person and includes lunch (Wayne 4-H program will pay the $10). Conference registration and session descriptions will be available in January.

Session space is limited so get your registration in early!

NEW LEADERS TRAINING

County based volunteer orientation and training is crucial to volunteers being successful in their “home” counties. Each county has some unique aspects of the 4-H program that volunteers need to learn about. County Extension staff, Youth Committee members, experienced volunteers, and the regional youth program specialist from the county team who are essential frontline trainers and mentors for new volunteers. This county based team builds the relationships and support systems which will make volunteers successful.

Multi region new volunteer training is designed for new 4-H volunteers committing to a long term experience working with 4-H youth as club, project, Clover Kids—both leaders and assistants. Volunteers committing to these roles are required to attend a multi-region new volunteer training within the first 12 months of being screened and approved as a 4-H volunteer.

The 6 hour training is designed to give new volunteers a better working knowledge of positive youth development, the Iowa 4-H Equation, and tools that will help them be more confident and capable in their roles working with youth. The training includes breakout sessions for Clover Kid volunteers and club volunteers. Volunteers who attend receive a notebook of positive youth development resources and information.

Training dates and locations for New Volunteer Training for 2012-2013 Club Year
Feb. 9 Altoona  Feb. 9 Spencer  Mar. 2 Mediapolis

Fun Scientific Facts About Our Christmas Tree!
Why are traditional Christmas trees an evergreen tree? The answer is in its name! Evergreen trees are almost always green until the needles mature. Depending on the species of tree, needles may mature anywhere from 2 years to 17 years! Can you imagine?! Your Christmas tree may have needles older than you!

And as with most traditions of Christmas, we surround that beautiful green with a string of lights. Have you ever wondered who thought of that? Most of us learn at an early age Thomas Edison was the inventor of the light bulb. Did you know he also created the very first strand of electric lights, but our traditional Christmas lights did not take a hold until some forty years later when Albert Sadacca, a teenager in 1917, suggested to his family to offer brightly colored strands of Christmas lights to the public. Then on Christmas Eve 1923, President Calvin Coolidge began the United State’s celebration of Christmas by lighting the National Christmas Tree. Over 3,000 electric lights were used on the tree, placed on the Ellipse located south of the White House. Through science, we enjoy a very bright and colorful Christmas!

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A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSTIVE CHANGE
2013 State Volunteer Retreat – Feb. 8-9, 2013 DMACC Campus in Ankeny

Workshop descriptions are now posted at [http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/state-volunteer-retreat](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/state-volunteer-retreat). Registration information will be posted soon!

The annual State Volunteer Retreat brings together 4-H volunteers, staff, parents, and intermediate and senior 4-H members to network and learn about innovative programs that will help bring fresh perspectives and activities to Iowa 4-H programs. Friday evening, February 8, features Meeting in a Bag. In your fast paced lives as 4-H volunteers, it is not always easy to be prepared for that monthly meeting. Do you find yourself stressed out at the last minute looking for activities you can do with your members? Do you want to do hands-on learning activities with your 4-H’ers where they can learn project skills and have fun too? Join us for 5 short sessions where you will receive ideas to prepare activities to put in your 4-H Meeting in a Bag. Pull it out of the closet, and away you go to a fun-filled, educational meeting.

Saturday, February 9, is filled with a variety of workshops and networking opportunities. The wide variety of 23 workshop sessions will meet the needs of both new and experienced volunteers, staff, and 4-H members. Thanks to a grant from Monsanto, the registration fee this year is only $20 (Wayne 4-H will pay the $20) and includes lunch and snacks.

This year’s Retreat is hosted by DMACC Continuing Education, and sponsored by ISU Extension and Outreach 4-H and Monsanto. All activities, Friday evening and Saturday, will take place at the Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) Campus in Ankeny. It is located a few miles off I-80 and I-35 north of Des Moines. The registration fee covers use of the facility, sessions during the time you are registered, a snack on Friday evening and snacks and lunch on Saturday. DMACC will provide general CEU credit for attending the sessions. If you are traveling from a distance and attending both Friday and Saturday, check the registration forms on the website for discounted hotel arrangements on Friday night.

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PIONEER COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

The objective of these grants is to stimulate local 4-H clubs in Iowa to plan and carry out community improvement activities by providing “seed money” needed to make the projects successful.

Pioneer will provide up to $5,000, with grant amounts ranging from a minimum of $25 to a maximum of $500, to selected 4-H clubs in Iowa. Awards will be made directly to the clubs through the Iowa 4-H Foundation from Pioneer as soon as selections are made.

Local clubs are asked to submit their application to the county Extension office by January 15. A county staff member will review all applications from the county, make comments on the back, sign them, and then forward them to the State 4-H Office by the posted deadline.

Each club receiving a grant will be asked to submit a brief report to the county Extension office, no later than January 15. Included in this report should be at least one photo of the activity, newspaper clippings, and enough details that the experience might be of use to others looking for ideas.

Calendar

DATES TO REMEMBER - DECEMBER

2 - Benton Busy Bees 4-H mtg @ 7 pm
3 - Benton Battlers 4-H mtg @ 5:30 pm
3 - Clay Diggers 4-H mtg @ 7 pm
6 - Fair Board mtg @ 6:30 pm, Courthouse meeting room
12 - Clio Southwesterners 4-H mtg @ 6:30 pm
12 - Walnut Monroe Lone Tree 4-H mtg @ 7 pm
19 - Warren Willpower 4-H mtg
22 - BEEF WEIGH IN, 10-noon @ fairgrounds
24-25 - EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS

DATES TO REMEMBER - JANUARY

1 - EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED

3 - Fair Board mtg, 6:30 pm @ courthouse meeting room
6 - Benton Busy Bees 4-H mtg @ 7pm
7 - Benton Battlers 4-H mtg @ 5:30pm
7 - Clay Diggers 4-H mtg @ 7pm
9 - Clio Southwesterners 4-H mtg @ 6:30pm
9 - Union Hotshots 4-H mtg @ 7pm
9 - Walnut Monroe Lone Tree 4-H mtg @ 7pm
15 - Pioneer Grant Applications DUE into Extension Office
23 - NEW MEMBER MEETING @ 6:30pm Courthouse basement
12-27 - National Western Stock Show

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 1 - State 4-H Scholarships DUE
February 10 - 17 Iowa Beef Expo
March 23-24 - Iowa Horse Jamboree, ISU campus
March 29-30 - State Science & Technology Fair of Iowa

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