Dear 4-H Families,

Lots of information coming your way as we gear up for all the activities that take place during the “more pleasant” months of the year! Please note deadlines and date changes and as always feel free to call if you have a 4-H need or question.

Patty Warren

**PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE FOR FSQA TRAINING TO MARCH 31**

ALSO NOTE TESTING CAN BE DONE DURING TRAINING NIGHT ON MARCH 31ST OR AT THE OFFICE BY APPOINTMENT. TESTING WILL NOT BE DONE AT CLUB MEETINGS AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED.

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**4-H**

WELCOME TO THE REVOLUTION OF RESPONSIBILITY!!
LOCAL LIVESTOCK 4-H NEWS

FSQA Training Set

When: **Monday March 31st**

*(NOTE DATE CHANGE)*

Where: Wayne HS Lunchroom
Time: registration begins at 6 pm, sessions will start promptly at 6:30 pm

Who needs to attend - all 4th-6th graders that may show cattle (market/breeding/dairy), sheep (market/breeding) goats (meat and dairy), swine (market/breeding), rabbits and poultry.

7th - 12 graders may attend the training, take the exam or an appointment can be made with the Extension Office to take the exam.

**Summer camp is in the works!**
**Dates/locations coming in march**

**EQUINE NEWS**

2014 Iowa Horse Jamboree will be held March 29th & 30th at the Jeff & Deb Hansen Ag Student Learning Center (located south of ISU campus in Ames). Registration deadline is March 1st - Horse Jamboree entries are done online at: [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/horse-jamboree](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/horse-jamboree)

2014 Iowa Horse Fair will be held at the Iowa State Fair Grounds April 4th-6th. See calendar of events at: [iowahorsecouncil.org/2014-iowa-horse-fair/](http://iowahorsecouncil.org/2014-iowa-horse-fair/)

**RABBIT & CAVY WORKSHOP**

**WHEN:** March 16th
**from 12:30 – 4:30**

**WHERE:** Grinnel Fairgrounds

**TOPICS COVERED:**
- **DISEASES**  FREE EVENT
- **HANDLING**
- **SHOWING**

Sponsored by ARBA. Please contact Dave McDonald @ 641-895-2536 for more information & possible ride share. **BRING YOUR ANIMALS!**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

4-H empowers youth to reach their full potential working
**2014 STATE FAIR 4-H SHEEP SHOW CHANGE**

**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
- Thus, no performance lamb requirement
- Allows all of 4-H’ers animals exhibited to have data
- Rankings/Awards announced during fair
- Increase educational value

**FAIR BOOK CHANGES BEING MADE NOW! IF YOU KNOW OF ITEMS THAT NEED REVISED OR ADDED AND YOU HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO INQUIRE ABOUT ANY ITEMS PLEASE CALL EXTENSION BY MARCH 17 AS IT MUST PASS THROUGH EXTENSION COUNCIL REVIEW MARCH 19TH AND GOES TO PRINT APRIL 1ST. THANKS!!**

**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.

**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.

**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/metal materials 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.

WAYNE COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

April 15th is the deadline to apply for the Wayne County 4-H Scholarship. 1—$500 and 2- $250 scholarships will be awarded.

To be eligible you must be a graduating high school senior or college freshman, be a member of a Wayne County 4-H club during your senior year of high school, planning on attending college or vocational school during the next year. Scholarship is awarded one time.

To apply you must complete a personal information form, write briefly about 4-H participation, 4-H achievements, 4-H leadership experiences, and how 4-H has benefitted you and affected your career choice, include one reference letter from a 4-H leader and a copy of high school transcript. Please call the Extension office for more information.

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!!!!

$$ SMART KID ESSAY CONTEST

In support of Money Smart Week, the Iowa Bankers Association and Iowa Credit Union Foundation are sponsoring the annual Money Smart Kid Essay Contest in partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. The winner will help promote financial literacy. One student will be named this year’s Money Smart Kid and will receive a $1,000 college Savings Iowa account, which is Iowa’s 529 college savings plan. Finalists may be selected to read their essays at one or more Money Smart Week event. Students in grades 7-11 may enter the contest by answering this question: Any investment has a certain amount of risk and an expected return. Describe to a potential investor how investing in you (such as paying for more education) will produce a return? Deadline is March 14th. Go to www.moneysmartweek.org/

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SESS Instructors Training, NW Iowa

A State 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors Training will be hosted by Region 1 in Northwest Iowa on April 4-5. The training will be held at the Sandy Hollow Recreation Area in Sioux Center, Iowa. All volunteers MUST have successfully completed the background screening process before participating in the training. Cost will be $140 if registered by March 5. Disciplines offered for training will be Coordinator, Rifle, Shotgun, Archery and Wildlife Skills. A block of rooms have been reserved at the Holiday Inn Express in Sioux Center for Friday night, call 712-722-3500 to reserve. (Kris Keene)

YOU COULD BECOME A SHOOTING SPORTS INSTRUCTOR

Herbert Hoover Uncommon Student Award--For Iowa High School Juniors

The Herbert Hoover Uncommon Student Award, a $5,000 scholarship program for Iowa juniors, does not evaluate grades, test scores, essays or financial need. Applicants propose a project they want to accomplish. Up to 15 juniors are chosen in April to participate and then complete their projects over the summer. In the fall of their senior year they make presentations about their projects to a panel of distinguished judges at the Hoover Presidential Library-Museum in West Branch, near Iowa City. Each student receives a $1,000 stipend. In addition, three are chosen to win $5,000 scholarships to be used at a two or four year college/university anywhere in the nation. Application Deadline: March 31. For more info. & application form: http://www.hooverassociation.org/grantsawards/uncommon_student.php. If anyone has questions, they may contact me directly. Delene McConnaha; Membership and Academic Programs Manager Herbert Hoover Presidential Library Association P.O. Box 696 West Branch, IA 52358; 319-643-5327; Delene.mcconnaha@hooverassociation.org; www.hooverassociation.org

SCHOLARSHIP

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 J. 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 or contact Brenda Allen, 515-294-1567 or bsallen@iastate.edu.

4-H SUMMER YOUTH CONFERENCE

What is Art? Often times you may think of “Art” as drawing or painting a picture. 4-H is the perfect place to change that way of thinking! While drawing or painting is obviously art, there are many ways to exhibit in the Visual Art class through 4-H. A display of drawing tools used by artists, a poster about your favorite artists, a report about the career path of an artist or a piece of jewelry using handmade beads are a few ways that you could expand your visual art project! Think about it for 2014!

4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH
# Calendar

**MARCH**

1 - Horse Jamboree entries due online  
www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/horse-jamboree

2- Clay Diggers club mtg

3- Benton Battlers club mtg

6 - Fair Board mtg 6:30 pm @ Fairground Exhibit Bldg.

12 - Engineering Is Elementary Program.@ Wayne Elem. LR 1:30-3:30 for grades K-3

Clio Southwesterners see below

12 - Union Hotshots club mtg

12– Wayne Wranglers club mtg

18- Benton Busy Bees club mtg

19-Clio Southwesterners club mtg.

19- Warren Willpower club mtg

19 - Walnut Monroe club mtg

19 - Extension Council mtg @ Mac's liquor Bldg. 6:00 some times postponed-call office

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29-30 Horse Jamboree ISU

31 FSQA Training - 6:00 Wayne High School Lunchroom

**APRIL**

APRIL 1ST—START ENTERING LIVESTOCK ID IN 4-H ONLINE ! OPENS UP TODAY

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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

8- Fair Board mtg 6:30 pm

4 - Clay Diggers Club mtg

5 - Benton Battlers club mtg

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

3 - Wayne County sheep/goat weigh in 9 am @ fair grounds

10 - ABGA Spring Fling Goat Show At WC Fair Grounds

**JULY**

1—State Fair Entry Deadline

22-28 Wayne County Fair
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