Hello Wright County! Everyone has been so welcoming in my first few weeks in my new role. I have jumped right into learn what makes Wright County 4-H so great! I am excited to continue meeting 4-H’ers, parents, volunteers and partners in the upcoming months. Watch for some exciting new workshops and day camps that will delight all ages of 4-H’ers coming soon. If you have ideas or suggestions feel free to email me.

With all this snow it’s hard to think summer, but fair season will be here soon. I have found myself already filling my summer calendar days. Winter is a great time to start working on static projects for the fair. A static project is a non livestock project. The Iowa 4-H website has tip sheets for specific classes. These are great to learn new project areas or advance in your favorite class now. You can find tips to make your fair project the best it can be at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/exhibit-tip-sheets.

See you soon,

Krystal Schnabel
County Youth Coordinator
Save the Date

February Clover Kids
February 10th, 5:30–6:30 p.m. Wright County Extension Office, Clarion

Tie Dye Work Shop
February 26th, 9:30-11:00 a.m. Wright County Extension Office, Clarion

County Council Meeting
February 28, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Wright County Extension Office, Clarion

Endowment Meeting
March 7th, 6:30 p.m. Wright County Extension Office, Clarion

March Clover Kids
March 10th, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Wright County Extension Office, Clarion

4-H Equine Extravaganza
March 25-27, 2022 Ellsworth Equestrian Center, Iowa Falls, IA

April Clover Kids
April 14th, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Wright County Extension Office, Clarion

Sheep Weigh In
May 7th time t.b.d. Wright County Fair Grounds, Eagle Grove

Iowa 4-H Youth Conference
June 28–June 30th Iowa State University, Ames

Iowa State Fair
August 11-21st Iowa State Fair Grounds, Des Moines

Wright County Fair July 6 -10

Static Judging on July 5

Deadlines: All Livestock ID’s must be entered in 4-H online by May 15, 2022
All static, communication, share the fun and livestock entries must be entered in FairEntry by June 15th, 2022

Watch for next months Newsletter for a special fair insert on NEW STATIC EXHIBITS, NEW LEARNING OPPORTUNITES AND OTHER FAIR FUN EVENTS!

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 $250 to $5,000.

Thank you to the donors who make these scholarships possible! More information available at www.Iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships

Deadline March 1, 2022
Did you know Iowa 4-H has a podcast? Each month they do a new episode with State 4-H council members. Clover Cast is available on Stitcher, Spotify, Apple Podcast or wherever you like to listen.

Create Your Own Tie Dye Shirts

Join us for this creative workshop and get a head start on your fair project. We will learn some different tie dye techniques and each participant will dye a t-shirt to take home. Your tie dye shirt would make a great fair project.

Who: 1st-12th Graders
When: February 26th, 2022 9:30-11 a.m.
Where: Wright County Extension Office
2302 Madison Avenue, Suite B, Clarion
Cost: $10
R.S.V.P at (515) 532-3453 or schnbel@iastate.edu
Register with t-shirt size by February 18th

Wright County Extension and Outreach is accepting applications for a seasonal non-exempt Food Access Intern to assist 40 hours per week with various office projects and youth programs. Start date is May 18th which is flexible based off your school’s calendar. End date is 1 week prior to fall semester resuming. Qualifications required are: good written, verbal and customer relationship communication skills with a positive team focused attitude, possess the ability to bring new and creative ideas, demonstrate proficiency in computer and technology operation, and ability to work flexible hours including some evenings and weekends. Application and additional information available at the Wright County Extension and Outreach office, 2302 Madison Ave Ste B, Clarion, IA 50525, 515-532-3453 or online at www.extension.iastate.edu/wright/. Completed application, resume and cover letter deadline is February 28th to the Wright County Extension and Outreach office or it can be emailed to merrifie@iastate.edu. Wright County Extension and Outreach is an EEO/AA Employer.

Iowa State University
Extension and Outreach

Are you interested in receiving this newsletter electronically? Let us know by February 20th if you want to receive the Wright County 4-H newsletter electronically.

Members of the P.I.G 4-H Club at their January meeting

They won the trivia contest from October and were awarded a PIZZA party for their club! Congratulations Wright County P.I.G 4-H Club
Mark your calendars for the Iowa 4-H Volunteer Lunch & Learn Series!

Iowa 4-H Youth Development is offering a Volunteer Lunch & Learn series January through April 2022! The lunch & learn series consists of four brief 15-20 minute Zoom sessions that will dive into topics that you can apply into your role as a 4-H volunteer with your clubs and programs. March’s session is focused on accommodations-information and tips on making 4-H accessible for all. Join us!

February 4th, March 4th, & April 1st @Noon

Zoom link: http://go.iastate.edu/R0BG6A

County Council Meeting

February 28th at 6:30-8:00
Wright County Extension Office

Grades 7-12 are invited even if you have never been before, come see what it’s all about.

Valentine Love Bugs

**Supplies**
- Wood Clothes Pins
- Mini Candy Packages
- Red Pipe Cleaners
- Googly Eyes
- Glue Stick
- Glitter

**Directions**
1. Put glue all over the top of each clothespin leaving just about 1/4 inch at the top plain.
2. Sprinkle glitter all over glue, and stick 2 googly eyes on the plain part of the clothespin.
3. Cut the pipe cleaners in half and fold each one around each pack of candy, pulling tightly, so that the candy is kind of squished together a little bit. Leave the ends of the pipe cleaners open at the top.
4. Slide a clothespin onto the middle of each package of candy where the pipe cleaner is clinching it together.
5. Now twist the open ends of the pipe cleaner to look like little antennas.
Lake Clovers
Meet: First Lutheran Church Clarion | 2:30 p.m. 2nd Sunday of the Month
Club Leaders: Angela Charlson, Angela Wharton and Jeanette Wenzel

Liberty Pathfinders
Meet: Goldfield School Building | 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd Sunday of the Month
Club Leaders: Casey Howell and Lynn Seaba

North East Wright (N.E.W)
Meet: Methodist Church in Belmond | 6:30 p.m. on the 3rd Monday of the Month
Club Leaders: Leigh Jass and Nikki Jass & Tyrell Watts

Wright County P.I.G
Meet: County Extension Office Clarion | 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd Sunday of the Month
Club Leaders: Linzey Nosbush and Erin Morrical

Wright County Shooting Sports
Meet: Goldfield American Legion | 2:00 p.m. on the 4th Sunday of the Month
Club Leaders: Chris Johnson and Rachel Boots

Wright Warriors
Meet: Samuel Lutheran Eagle Grove | 4 p.m. on the 1st Sunday of the Month
Club Leaders: Allison Whaley and Julie Schreiber

JOINING A 4-H CLUB
Interested in joining 4-H? Contact our local county Iowa State University (ISU) Extension and Outreach office and we will put you in contact with the corresponding club leader.
Saturday, February 12th 9am-noon, the First Lutheran Church Food Pantry and the Wright County Extension Office are holding a free community meal, food pantry, and clothing giveaway at the Rowan Community Center. This service opportunity is a great way for 4-H’ers to play a role in increasing food access throughout our county. Volunteers are needed to help handout supplies, serve chili, greet and assist community members, and to set-up/ take-down. Set-up will start at 8am. If you are interested in volunteering for any amount of time between 8am and approximately 1pm, please contact Missy at louxm@iastate.edu or 515-532-3453.

Extension is offering a new literacy program, Raising School Ready Readers, at the Rowan Public Library every Thursday in March, 6pm-7:30pm.

4-H Volunteers are needed 6pm-6:30pm to help with the children’s reading program portion of the evening. Volunteer opportunities include reading to the kids and assisting them with games and activities. If you are interested in volunteering for one, a few, or all sessions, please contact Missy at louxm@iastate.edu or 515-532-3453.

Wright County Extension and Outreach is accepting applications for a Food Stand Manager. The food stand manager will be responsible to manage the 4-H Food Stand during the Wright County Fair, July 5-10, 2022. Qualifications: 18 years old or older; knowledge of current food safety practices; must be able to lift 30 lbs; must have a valid driver’s license; and pass a background screening. ServSafe Certification is a plus. Application and additional information is available at the Wright County Extension and Outreach office, 2302 Madison Ave Ste B, Clarion, IA 50525, 515-532-3453 or online at www.extension.iastate.edu/wright/. Completed applications accepted until February 16th, or until position is filled, to the Wright County Extension and Outreach office or it can be emailed to merrifie@iastate.edu.

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Volunteer News and Resources

While the weather is cold and summer seems far away, this is the time of year when youth may be considering taking a project to their local county fair. The Iowa 4-H Volunteer Resources webpage has several resources that volunteers, parents, and youth can access to help youth reflect on their goals and consider project areas they have interest in! In 4-H, we want to help youth understand the relationship between project areas, goals, and exhibits. Volunteers and parents can help 4-H youth understand how project area goals relate to exhibit goals and how exhibits are evaluated at the county fair. An important aspect of setting goals is using those goals to help demonstrate learning through an exhibit. There are several resources that focus on goal centered learning, the difference between a project area and an exhibit, and writing project area and exhibit goals available on the Volunteer Resources webpage.

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volunteerresources

⇒ From the Volunteer Resources webpage, under “Goal Centered Project Area Learning” you will find “Goal Centered Learning,” this resource defines the relationship between 4-H project areas, goals, exhibits, and evaluation when a 4-H member chooses to exhibit at the county fair.

⇒ Also, under “Goal Centered Project Area Learning”, you can find the resource “Project Area or Exhibit”, this resource helps youth understand the difference between a 4-H project and a 4-H exhibit.

⇒ Finally, an important resource that is newly updated, also under “Goal Centered Project Area Learning”, Is the “Goal Setting: Writing Project Area and Exhibit Goals” resource. This resource helps youth work through the process of defining and writing goals related to their project area of interest and their exhibit.

All three of these resources can be found on the Volunteer Resources webpage under “Goal Centered Project Area Learning” as well as in the Extension Store as a free downloadable resource. From the Extension Store https://store.extension.iastate.edu/click on 4-H on the top menu bar and choose Volunteer Resources from the drop down menu for these resources and so many more!

Resources Re-Cap:
• Goal-Centered Learning
• Project Area or Exhibit
• Goal Setting—Writing Project Area and Exhibit Goals

We hope these resources are helpful as you work with 4-H youth this winter and spring in their project areas of interest!

Leaders Training

Coming Soon!
Watch your emails for more information.

4-H Pledge

I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking,
My HEART to greater loyalty,
My HANDS to larger service,
My HEALTH to better living,
For my club, my community, my country, and my world.
What is Clover Kids?

Clover Kids is a fun program specifically designed for children in kindergarten through third grade. The overall purpose of the Iowa 4-H Clover Kids program is to foster the development of life skills that are essential for the cognitive, social, emotional, and physical maturation of kindergarten through third graders by providing a unique, age appropriate educational opportunity.

January Clover Kids made their own snowman measuring sticks and practiced measuring fake snow. We learned about snowstorms and blizzards and even had a melted snowman for snack.

February Clover Kids

Gifts from the Heart
February 10, 2022 5:30-6:30p.m.
Wright County Extension Office
R.S.V.P by February 8th to schnabel@iastate.edu

It’s not too late to join Clover Kids!
Call the Extension office to register TODAY!

Newsletter Scavenger Hunt
Count the number of clovers you find in this issue and email schnabel@iastate.edu for your chance to win!
K-12 Grades are eligible to win! Correct guesses will be entered in random drawing for prize pack.
Deadline to enter is 2/20/22
CONTACT US!

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Clarion IA, 50525

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HOURS
Monday-Friday,
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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