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East Pottawattamie County Newsletter

December 2018

East Pottawattamie County Calendar

- December 9 Gingerbread House Decorating Contest Pre-registration required
- December 15 Market Beef Weigh In 8am—9:30am
- December 24 Extension Office Closed Merry Christmas
- December 25 Extension Office Closed Merry Christmas
- January 1 Extension Office Closed Happy New Year
- January 16 Annual Leader Training
- January 23 YQCA Training Pre-registration required

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Club Officer Training

Club officer training was Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 6:00pm at Great Western Bank in Oakland. Youth learned about parliamentary procedure, officer responsibilities & more! All club officer responsibilities and resources are listed on our [website](#).

Jamboree Awards

The annual Jamboree awards ceremony was held at the Oakland Community Center on Sunday, November 18, 2018 at 1:00pm.

Botna Valley Achievers

Cash Beatty – Gold record book, 1st year certificate

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Rian Buck – Bronze record book, 1st year certificate

Emily Butcher – Gold record book, Goats, Photography, Self-Determined, Wray Carroll Memorial Award

Sarah Butcher – Gold record book

Erin Carroll – Gold record book

Claire Denning – Silver record book, Horticulture, Senior Natural Resources Award

Nick Denning – Bronze record book

Collin Harder – Gold record book, 1st year certificate

Molly Jacobs – Bronze record book, Child Development, Home Improvement, Visual Arts

Mitchell Kloewer – Gold record book, Poultry, Veterinary Science

Emma Kock – Silver record book

Julia Kock – Gold record book, Boyd Nilan Memorial Beef Award

Megan Kock – Bronze record book

Brayden Lund – Gold record book, Sheep, Food & Nutrition, Photography, STEM, Woodworking, Outstanding Intermediate 4-H Member

Henry Lund – Gold record book, Sheep, Food & Nutrition, Photography, STEM, Woodworking, Outstanding Junior 4-H Member

Kyley Nelsen – Gold record book, Self-Determined, Outstanding Senior 4-H Member, 4-H Spirit Award

Sidney Nelsen – Gold record book, Senior Creative Arts Award, Senior Consumer Science Award, Senior Livestock Award

Cole Scheffler – Silver record book, Communications

Kinsey Scheffler – Bronze record book, Food & Nutrition, Visual Arts

Isaac Stamp – Gold record book, 1st year certificate

Parker Weirich – Gold record book, Beef, Civic Engagement, Communications, Consumer Management, Crop Production, Mechanics & Design, Sewing, Woodworking, Outstanding Intermediate 4-H Member

Chase Wheatley – Bronze record book, 1st year certificate

Isabell Wheatley – Bronze record book, Home Improvement

Megan Wise – Silver record book

Carson Commanders

Rebecca Cody – Bronze record book

Caitlin Duede – Gold record book, Food & Nutrition, Mechanics & Design

Kyler Rieken – Bronze record book, Home Improvement, STEM

McKenna Sick – Bronze record book, Swine, Bill Sick Memorial Swine Award



East Pott Hot Shots

Adriawna Luth – Bronze record book
Jaden Luth – Bronze record book, Shooting Sports, Woodworking
Sophia Luth – Bronze record book, Photography, Shooting Sports, Pets
Ransom Mascher – Gold record book, Shooting Sports
Travis Mascher – Gold record book, Claire & Marge Vance Memorial Sheep Award
Alexis Meek – Gold record book, Home Improvement, Shooting Sports
Devin Meek – Bronze record book, Home Improvement, Shooting Sports
Dawson Otte – Bronze record book, Sheep, Mechanics & Design, Senior Science, Engineering & Technology Award
Logan Rose – Bronze record book, 1st year certificate

Independent 4-H Members

Preston Good – Gold record book, Beef, Sheep
Walker McDermott – Gold record book

West Nishna 4-H'ers

Wyatt Bell – Gold record book, 1st year certificate
Kiley Bentley – Bronze record book
Danika Feigenbutz – Bronze record book, 1st year certificate
Isabella Gute – Gold record book, Horticulture
Reese Gute – Gold record book, 1st year certificate
Brody Henderson – Gold record book, 1st year certificate
Dawson Henderson – Gold record book, 1st year certificate
Ellyanna Henderson – Gold record book, Food & Nutrition, Home Improvement, Horticulture, Visual Arts
Jayka Mark – Bronze record book, 1st year certificate
Abigale Petersen – Bronze record book, Ralph & Junellyn Pierce Leader in Service Award
Alexis Post – Bronze record book
Keaten Rieken – Bronze record book, Photography
Veronica Schechinger – Gold record book, Communications, Food & Nutrition, Photography, Self-Determined, Sewing, Visual Arts
Aaron Smith-HavenAna Wilson – Silver record book, 1st year certificate

Westside Feeders

Ryan Conover – Bronze record book, Visual Arts
Austyn Fisher – Silver record book, Woodworking
Allyee Pierson – Gold record book, Communications, Outstanding Junior 4-H Member
Camryn Pierson – Gold record book, Senior Citizenship Award
Lydia Wede – Gold record book, Photography, Outstanding Senior 4-H Member, Senior Achievement Award, Senior Leadership Award, Chris Galitz Memorial Award

Shooting Sports Awards

Mario Houser – Compound Archery, Shotgun Trap
Adriawna Luth – Recurve Archery, Smallbore Rifle
Jaden Luth – Matthew Genesis Archery, Smallbore Rifle
Sophia Luth – Matthew Genesis Archery, Smallbore Rifle
Ransom Mascher – Compound Archery, Shotgun Trap
Travis Mascher – Shotgun Trap
Alexis Meek – Compound Archery
Devin Meek – Compound Archery, Shotgun Trap
Kiara Meek – Compound Archery, Smallbore Rifle
Paxtyn Meek – Compound Archery, Smallbore Rifle
Dawson Otte – Compound Archery, Shotgun Trap
Logan Rose – Compound Archery, Smallbore Rifle

Club Officer Awards

Secretary Julia Kock, Botna Valley Achievers, Gold
Secretary Lydia Wede, Westside Feeders, Bronze
Reporter Brayden Lund, Botna Valley Achievers, Silver
Historian Claire Denning, Botna Valley Achievers, Gold
Historian Nick Denning, Botna Valley Achievers, Gold
Historian Henry Lund, Botna Valley Achievers, Gold
Historian Parker Weirich, Botna Valley Achievers, Gold
Historian Danika Feigenbutz, West Nishna 4-H'ers, Gold
Historian Dane Martens, West Nishna 4-H'ers, Gold
Historian Camryn Pierson, Westside Feeders, Silver
Historian Lydia Wede, Westside Feeders, Silver
Recreational Leader, Kade De Jong, Botna Valley Achievers, Gold
Recreational Leader, Collin Harder, Botna Valley Achievers, Gold

Herdsmanship Award—AHSTW FFA Chapter

Club Booth Award—Botna Valley Achievers

Clover Kids Club Booth Award—Botna Valley Achievers Clover Kids

Leadership & Service Honors

Bobbi Lund – 5 years, Silver Clover Award
Clarisa Johnson – 5 years, Silver Clover Award
Jennifer Kock – 10 years, Gold Clover Award
Kerri Wede – 10 years, Gold Clover Award
Tom Novotny – 15 years, Pearl Clover Award

Honorary 4-H Members—Paul Lees and Jo Ann Lees





In today's world, food safety is one of the animal producers' biggest responsibilities. With over 15,000 Iowa 4-H'ers enrolled in livestock projects, about 17 million pounds of meat is produced each year. The goal of this program is to help youth and their parents better understand what they can do to produce the safest food possible.

For 2019: All livestock exhibitors will be required to be YQCA certified for county and State Fair exhibition of the following: Beef, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep & Swine.

Youth who have completed the FSQA test-out option previously, will be granted certification through their respective expiration date.

Youth will have the option to take YQCA online in the convenience of their home, during their own time OR may attend the hour face to face training offered on Wednesday, January, 2019 at the Oakland Community Center from 6:30pm—7:30pm.

Face to Face Training—\$3.00 Fee—must preregister & pay online PRIOR to attending

Online Course—\$12.00 Fee—pay online prior to taking course & email certificate to Hallie at hpeck@iastate.edu

Online Course [step by step directions](#)

Read directions carefully! Be sure to read the descriptions of the course carefully to make sure the individual associated with the account meets the requirements.

When are you finished with your course, return to the course menu screen to download your certificate and email it to Hallie at hpeck@iastate.edu

If you do not have access to a debt/credit card to prepay please contact Hallie by email hpeck@iastate.edu or calling 712.482.6449 for assistance.

Face to Face Registration [step by step directions](#)

If you do not have access to a debt/credit card to prepay please contact Hallie by email hpeck@iastate.edu or calling 712.482.6449 for assistance. All exhibitors MUST be preregistered online to attend.

Youth may attend face to face YQCA trainings out of county, if they wish. Youth must contact the Extension Office offering the face to face training to let them know they are interested and then register online for the face to face training, paying online. Some offices may have an additional charge for face to face trainings.



Pottawattamie County Fair Book Changes

A few updates have been made to the 2019 Pottawattamie County Fair Book. Please take note of several changes below. Fair Books will be available online as well as printed in Spring 2019.

- Each 4-H and FFA member may enter a total of two head of livestock in the Premium Livestock Auction. Youth must walk their own two animals through the premium auction in order to participate. Substitute showmen will not be allowed.
- Clover Kids will be given participation ribbons only.

Club Reporters

Each month club reporters should submit their monthly meeting minutes to the local newspapers and the 4-H newsletter. Please have your reporters send these to Hallie by the 20th of each month to be included in the next months county newsletter.

Botna Valley Achievers—Isaac Stamp, Reporter

The Botna Valley Achievers met on Sunday, November 4th at the United Methodist church in Hancock. After hearing the Secretary's, Treasurer's and Committee reports, members discussed old business. Mischa Martens spoke to the group about participating in the Shoebox Angels Program.

New business included discussing the Healthy Living Club challenge, the 10-gallon challenge, and the Club Program. The Gingerbread decorating contest will be on December 9th, RSVP needs to be done by December 4th. The application deadline for 4-Her's Involvement Application for the 4-H Foundation event is December 15th. The committee was chosen for the Angel Tree. The Angel Tree budget will be \$5.00 per person. Market Beef weigh-in is December 15th from 8-9:30 at the East Pottawattamie County Fairgrounds. Club dues of \$5.00 are due at the next meeting. BVA members will meet at the library on November 17th to hang ornaments on the tree. They should bring pictures at this time. Nikky Stamp agreed to cut out farm animals for the ornaments. Jamboree is scheduled for November 18th at the Oakland Community Building.

The craft involved making door hangers for the residents of the Avoca Lodge, Peace Haven, and Avoca Nursing Home. Members were asked to bring colored pencils to the next meeting which is December 2nd at 5:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. This meeting will be the annual family potluck.



Pictured left to right. Back Row: Emma Kock, Megan Kock, Megan Wise, Erin Carroll, Mitchell Kloewer, Parker Weirich, Braydon Lund, Cole Scheffler, Henry Lund, Nick Denning, Claire Denning, Julia Kock, Kyley Nelson, Kate Wise. Middle Row: Roman Scheffler, Isaac Stamp, Emily Butcher. Front Row: Molly Jacobs, Chet Beatty, Rian Buck, Rosemary Harper Cash Beatty, Collin Harder.

Market Beef Weigh In

It is time to have your halters on your market beef! Market beef weigh in will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2018 from 8:00am—9:30am at the Pottawattamie County Fairgrounds in Avoca. All market beef showing at county fair and Iowa State Fair will be required to weigh in. Market beef that wish to be nominated for the Iowa State Fair must be retinal imaged at the December 15 weigh in. Additional Paperwork and fees must be complete & paid at weigh ins. Aksarben nominations must be done by the exhibitor. FFA nominations must go through FFA advisors. All identifications will be final.

Prior to weighing in your beef, each youth & parent/guardian will be required to complete and sign a market beef identification form—1 4-H form per youth, 1 FFA form per youth. These forms will be available at weigh in and must be complete and handed into Hallie **before** bringing your animal across the scale. All beef will be weighed and ear tagged. Ear tags will cost \$1 per tag for all beef, Iowa State Fair retinal images will cost \$5 per head and must be paid before receiving weigh paperwork and leaving weigh ins.



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Beef Help Sheet



The beef project is open to 4-H members, Clover Kids and FFA members

- Enroll in 4-H by November 1, 2018 using [4-H Online](#).
- Attend your monthly club meetings (attending 4 meetings is required to be eligible to participate in the Pottawattamie County Fair) & read the monthly [4-H newsletters](#)
- All market beef must be weighed in and ear tagged at the winter beef weigh on Saturday, December 15, 2018 from 8:00-9:30am at the Pottawattamie County Fairgrounds in Avoca.
- Market beef that wish to be nominated for the Iowa State Fair must be retinal imaged at the December 15 weigh in. Additional paperwork and fees must be complete & paid at weigh ins. Aksarben nominations must be done by the exhibitor. FFA nominations must go through FFA advisors.
- Verify your beef in 4-H Online. All market beef weighed in will be entered into 4-H Online by the Extension Office. 4-H Members must verify all information is correct on their 4-H Online account by January 15, 2019. FFA beef must be verified on paper copies in the Extension Office.
- Breeding heifers, cow calf pairs, feeder calves, bottle calves and clover kids bottle calves must pick up a 4-H ear tag from the Extension Office, tag their calf and identify the animals in 4-H Online by May 15, 2019. FFA beef must have paperwork complete and submitted to the Extension Office by 5:00pm May 15, 2019.
- Register to participate at the Pottawattamie County Fair using the online system, [FairEntry](#). Online registration and payments are due by 5:00pm on June 6, 2019.
- Pottawattamie County Fair exhibitors and their families are responsible for reading the 2019 Pottawattamie County Fair Book and agreeing to all rules and regulations prior to the online FairEntry registration and payment.
- Attend Pottawattamie County Fair Set Up to help prep the fairgrounds and barns for livestock, youth and the public.
- Market beef, breeding heifers, and cow calves must be vet checked upon arrival and prior to entering any barns. Calves may be brought in during Early Livestock Check In (pre-registration required through FairEntry) where beef will be checked by a vet, allowed to stall and must weigh in during regular beef weigh ins OR may be brought during beef weigh in to be checked by a vet, weighed, checked in and stalled. All market beef, breeding heifers and cow calves will be required to have a drug affidavit filled out and submitted to the vet as they enter.
- Feeder, bottle and clover kids bottle calves must check in and stall with market animals OR arrive on grounds the morning of the show, be checked by the official fair vet, then stalled in the barn stalls reserved for them until show time.
- Beef show orders will be posted on the barns the night before the show.
- Youth must register at the 4-H Fair Office within one hour of the end of the beef show to participate in the Premium Auction.
- Attend Pottawattamie County Fair Clean Up to help clean up the fairgrounds from a long week of fair.
- Ribbon premiums will be distributed to exhibitors in September through the mail. Livestock premiums will be mailed to the youth from Rolling Hills Bank and Trust in September.
- Complete and submit a 4-H record book to your club leaders by the club deadline using the suggested [record book guidelines](#).
- Attend 4-H Jamboree awards ceremony in November to receive your record book and awards.



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Gingerbread House

Decorating Contest

Decorate your own gingerbread house!

Join us Sunday, December 9th at 2:00pm

Oakland Community Center - \$10.00 per team

Categories K—3 grade * 4-6 grade * 7-8 grade * 9-12 grade * Adults

Teams may range from 1—5 people and will be registered in the category of the oldest person on the team.

Teams must check in between 1:30pm—1:45pm. Each team will receive a gingerbread house kit that includes 1 pre-baked house ready to assemble, icing with a bag & tip, and 3 kinds of candies. Teams may bring any additional decorating tools, icing and candies.

Teams will begin decorating at 2:00pm and have until 3:30pm to decorate. When your gingerbread house is finished or at the end of the time - gingerbread houses will go home with the team and a photo of the house (without the team) will be posted on East Pottawattamie County 4-H Facebook page for peoples choice voting. The top gingerbread house with the most "likes" in each category will win 4-H swag!

Hot Cocoa & Cookies will be provided for all teams!

Gingerbread House Contest Registration

Registrations & fees due to the Extension Office or Hallie (hpeck@iastate.edu) by December 4, 2018

Team Members: _____

Team Category: (circle) K—3 grade * 4-6 grade * 7-8 grade * 9-12 grade * Adults

No late registrations will be accepted!

\$10.00 per team



10 Gallon Challenge

Dairy Farmers everywhere are struggling greatly! The 10 gallon challenge originated as a social media challenge and we are now challenging each 4-H club to donate at least 10 gallons of milk each. On December 1, the county with the most gallons donated wins a commemorative plaque! With local dairy farmers here in East Pottawattamie County and in our very own East Pottawattamie County 4-H program—let's show them our support!

10 Gallon Challenge

MULTI COUNTY CHALLENGE



Step 1: Buy 10 Gallons of Milk
Step 2: Take a selfie with your Milk & use #isupportdairyfarmers
Step 3: Donate Your milk to your local Food Pantry

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BENTON BOONE CLARKE FRANKLIN
EAST POTTAWATTAMIE HAMILTON JONES
JEFFERSON LINN MAHASKA MADISON
OSCEOLA POLK SIOUX TAYLOR
WINNESHIEK

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Step 4: Email your photo and gallon count to your 4-H Extension Staff

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