NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

OCTOBER 3-9, 2021

"Worth County 4-H clubs are amongst the largest participation per capita in the State of Iowa"
– Dennis Johnson, ISU Extension Education Specialist

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October 13, 2021

4-H Fire-Up 2021

Sunday, October 17 • 4:30 p.m.

Followed by a Hamburger Meal

at the Worth County Fairgrounds

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National 4-H Week: October 3-9

Millions of youth, parents, volunteers, Extension and Outreach Staff and Extension Council members join together across the nation to celebrate National 4-H Week. This year's theme was "FIND YOUR SPARK" which youth can engage in through numerous positive 4-H youth development opportunities. "FIND YOUR SPARK" is a campaign that was created by the National 4-H Council to ramp up support for Cooperative Extension's 4-H program, which identifies solutions to eliminate the opportunity gap that affects 55 million kids across America. 4-H strives to help youth reach their full potential in partnership with adults so that every child has the opportunity to succeed and make a difference in the world.

Worth County 4-H celebrated National 4-H Week this year by engaging 4-H youth in regional radio interviews, allowing 4-H youth to talk with students at schools (encouraging them to join), interviewing youth for the 21-22 Worth County Youth Council, kicking off the Clover Kids program, and will offer a 4-H Fire-up on October 17 which allows youth to join a 4-H Club and understand what 4-H is all about. In addition, is the special insert in the Northwood Anchor/ Manly Signal newspapers highlighting Worth County 4-H.

4-H youth in Worth County have opportunities to take part in a whole host of endeavors, such as…. improving communication and leadership skills, serving others in a variety of ways, completing projects of all sorts and kinds, keeping records of their 4-H projects, trips to the Iowa Capitol, trips to Washington, D.C., applying for state awards through an interview and application process, State Fair Share in the Fun skits, and the list is endless!

Come to 4-H Fireup on October 17 to discover how to join 4-H and the opportunities available. Bring your friends and join a club!!! 4-H Club membership is open to 4th grade – 12th grade. Clover Kids is open to ages kindergarten - 3rd.

Call the Worth County Extension and Outlook Office at 641-324-1531 Lacey Waller-Office Manager or Dennis Johnson-Worth Co. Education Specialist 641-390-0796 (cell) or 324-1531 (office) with questions.



Worth County 4-H'ers are pictured working on their applications.



The 2021 Worth County Fair Queen Marli Backhaus is pictured with the 2019 Worth County Fair Queen, Peyton Pangburn on the right.

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Worth County 4-H Livestock Judging Team Champions at North Iowa Fair

The Worth County 4-H Junior Livestock Team were champions at North Iowa Fair Judging Contest. Winning team members pictured left to right are: Coach, Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist, Adylyn Petersen, Kendal Kruger, Khloe Kruger, and Owen Binnobose. All four Worth County 4-H team members placed in the top ten. The top three North Iowa teams were Worth County champions, West Fork FFA Reserve Champions and Hancock County 4-H competing for third place overall.



State Fair Bound projects that were awarded trips to the Iowa State Fair are displayed prominently in a booth in the non-livestock 4-H building.



Pat Rothove, Worth County 4-H Hoofprints Club Leader on the left leads her 4-H club members in the Horse Barn Cleanup just prior to the 2021 Worth County Fair.



The 4-H Clover Kids Bucket/Bottle Calf Show has become a popular event with young exhibitors and crowds alike during the Worth County Fair.

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The Northwood-Kensett 6th graders planted a garden again at the Worth County Fairgrounds 4-H Garden. Nearly 500 youth have planted a vegetable garden at the Worth County fairgrounds since the program began in 2009.



Landen Nelson on the left and his brother Loghan on the right demonstrate how to properly retinal scan a 4-H Lamb for exhibition at the Iowa State Fair. Both brothers exhibited sheep and goats at the 2021 Iowa State Fair in Des Moines this past August.



Mason Kolbet Area Livestock Specialist led the Worth County 4-H Livestock workshop at the Chad Nelson farm this past spring with a large group on Worth County Fair livestock exhibitors in attendance. He pictured her with his daughter explaining what to look for in a high quality market lamb.

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Worth County 4-H celebrates National 4-H week with fun facts

National 4-H week was celebrated last week October 3– 9.

Here are a few facts about 4-H in honor of the week:

• 4-H is the nation's largest youth organization. It has six million participants. There are 4-H Clubs in more than 80 countries. All 50 states have 4-H organizations and all 99 of Iowa Counties have 4-H. One-Quarter of Iowa's young people are in 4-H. Worth County 4-H has one third of its youth enrolled in 4-H and has one of the highest percentage of youth club enrollment in Iowa

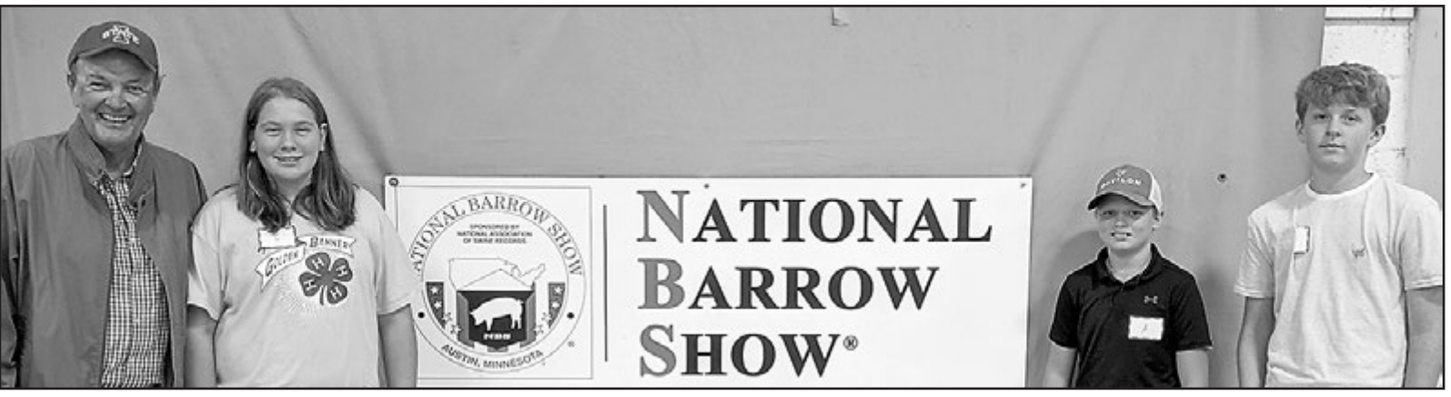
• 4-H follows the philosophy of learning by doing. Youth develop life skills through hands on projects that range from citizenship to expressive arts, communication to food and nutrition and leadership to science and technology.

• 4-H uses a four – leaf clover for its emblem. Each leaf carries an H; the H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands and Health. The 4-H emblem originated in Clarion, Iowa.

• 4-H is for youth in grades 4th -12th. Youth can belong to a traditional 4-H Club or Special Interest Youth Group. They can make new friends, visit new places, go on trips, attend workshops and conferences, host meetings, and serve their communities.

• 4-H Members do not have to live on a farm or have livestock to be in 4-H. There are 34 different project areas to explore in 4-H. Many city kids are 4-Hers. There are 13 4-H Clubs in Worth County that represent all seven towns.

More information about 4-H in Worth County is abailable by contacting Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension 4-H Clover Kid Coordinator by emailing ljwaller@iastate.edu or Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist at djohn@iastate.edu or by calling the Worth County Extension Office at 641-324-1531.



The Worth County 4-H Livestock Judging Team pictured left to right; (Coach) Worth County Extension Education Specialist, Dennis Johnson, Adylyn Petersen, Owen Binnebose and Caysen Chodur competed in the annual National Barrow Show Swine Judging Contest in Austin, Minnesota recently.

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This past April the Worth County 4-H organized a sheep, goat and swine workshop that was hosted by the Chad Nelson family. Mason Kolbet, Area Livestock Specialist led the program with information about feeding, healthcare, selection and exhibiting of the 4-H sheep, goats and swine project. Pictured are those 4-H members and parents who participated in the meeting.



The first of several 4-H Clover Kid meetings was launched during this year's National 4-H Week. The 4-H'ers participated in a couple of craft projects and enjoyed a healthy snack at the conclusion of the meeting. The 4-H Clover Kid program is being organized and coordinated by Worth County Extension Office Manager, Lacey Waller pictured on the far left. Lacey was assisted by volunteer parents on the far right in front, Ashley Haxton and on the far right in the back, Allyson Krull.

2021 4-H Recognition

2021 National 4-H Congress
Atlanta, Georgia Trip
Marli Backhaus
Cecelia Hill
Justine Nelson
Wyatt Willand
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State 4-H Project Awards
Marli Backhaus- Child Development
Tianna Charlson- Communication
Emma Davidson- Communication

2021-2022 State 4-H Council
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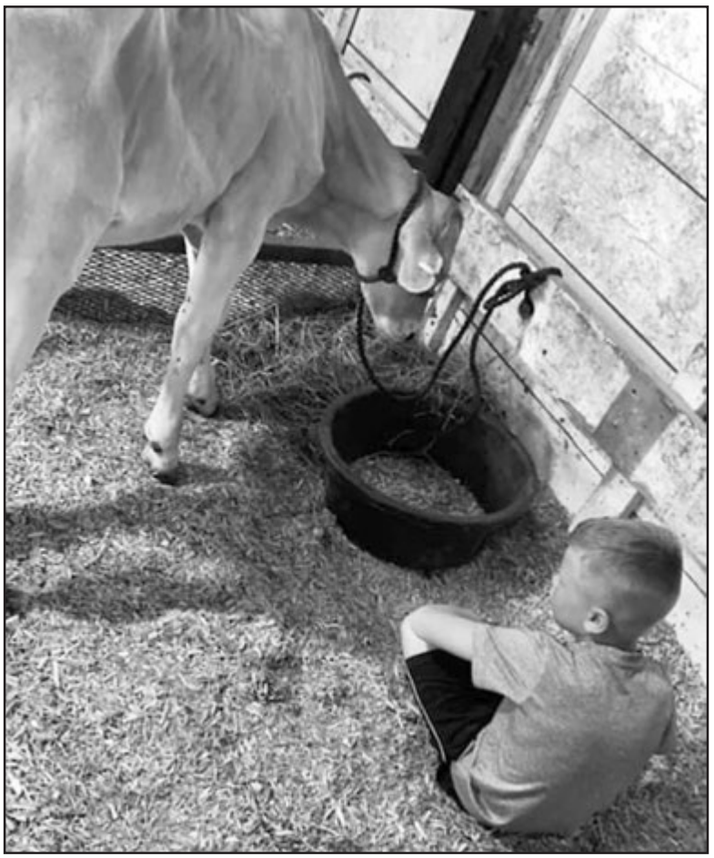
Anyone interested in learning more about the Worth County 4-H program or enrolling as a member is encouraged to call the **Worth County Extension Office at 324-1531** or email Lacey Waller at ljwaller@iastate.edu.

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Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist on the left congratulates Worth County Fair Poultry Superintendents Tim Charlson, Tammy Charlson and Tianna Charlson for organizing and leading the work on another successful 4-H Poultry Show at the 2021 Worth County Fair.



Younger Brother (top) of Junior 4-H member Owen Binnebose looks over his older siblings Dairy Calf at the Worth County Fair. Later Owen (right) himself waits patiently for his name to be called into the Show Ring to exhibit his Calf in the 4-H Dairy Show.



The Worth County 4-H Hoofprints Western Theme Booth in the Worth County 4-H Building at the 2021 Worth County Fair.

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Grove Progressive Farmers 4-H Club Members take their turn at a working shift in The Worth County 4-H Foodstand during the Fair.



Owen Binnebose tries his hand at shearing a ewe lamb just prior to the Worth County Fair Sheep Show under the watchful of his sheep shearing mentor, Brad Haberman.







The first Clover Kids K-1 After-School Program was held on October 5. Children in the pictures are making Apple launchers. Second and third graders will have their Clover Kids after school program on October 19. Any parents interested in having their children participate in Worth County Clover Kids are encouraged to call Worth County Clover Kids Coordinator Lacey Waller to sign up.

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The Worth County 4-H Hoofprints 4-H Club recognized the horse show top points getters from the Worth County Fair recently. Those earning belt buckles for 2021 are pictured left to right are; Kris Quam Jr., Ruby Haugebak, Lindsey Moore and Worth County 4-H Hoofprints Horse Club Leader, Pat Rothove. Belt Buckle winners not pictured were Tianna Charlson, Jackson Foss and Tate Kruger. The belt buckles were donated by Julie and Dave Evenson, Tim Charlson Family and Pat Rothove.



Worth County 4-H was very fortunate to have four of the six State 4-H Council members selected for this year's 20 county North Central Iowa area. Worth County 4-H'ers pictured front and center is Cecelia Hill from Manly, (second row from left), Kendra Kinne, Hanlontown, Marli Backhaus, Kensett, and Teagan Johnson, Northwood.



Exhibitors in the 2021 Worth County Fair Pee Wee Swine Show get an opportunity to try out the art of Showing pigs.

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Worth County State 4-H Council Food Pantry Drive 2020-21

The tallies of what contributions have been contributed to Worth County 4-H Food Pantry Drive. The final tally of food and cash contributions to MANNA was 1,300. Appreciate Tianna's extra efforts in getting 700 cans of food donated.

Worth County 4-H Food Pantry Drive Totals below:

• 800 Food items collected and delivered to the Worth County "MANNA" food pantry

• $100 Worth County Fairboard cash contribution

• $50 Worth County 4-H Foundation donation

• $50 Golden Banner 4-H Club contribution

• $50 Mindy and Lynn Tenold cash contribution

• $75 Janelle and Dennis Johnson cash contribution

• $25 Kris Kenison, Northwood Anchor and Manly Signal Newspaper • Editor cash contribution

• $150 Mr. and Mrs. Wally Charlson cash contribution

700 of the 800 Food Pantry cans collected were from Tianna Charlson's "Stack the Cans" Christmas Tree challenge in her local school (The 700 Food Items were delivered to the "MANNA" Food Pantry by Tianna and her dad Tim)

Grand Total of 1,300 Food Pantry Items equivalent from Worth County 4-H supporters.



The Worth County 4-H State Council Food Pantry Drive was a huge success this past year

State 4-H Council Members with some of the food items they collected. This past year Worth County State 4-H Council members pictured left to right; Hannah Lanphere, Kelsie Kinne, Cecelia Hill and Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist display a portion of the 1,300 food items that were collected for the Worth County Manna Food Pantry around the holidays this past year. State Council Member, Tianna Charlson of Grafton was very instrumental to the success of the food pantry drive by organizing a "Stack the Cans" Food Drive competition at her local school that allowed an additional 700 food items to be contributed to this excellent community service project.



Tianna Charlson, pictured second from the right organized a stack the cans challenge to her High School student body at her school and raised an impressive 700 food items that she and her dad Tim delivered to the Worth County MANNA Food Pantry. pictured (from left)); Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist, Tianna Charlson and Manna Board Member and Pastor at the Northwood United Methodist Church, Rob Lanphere.

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We Salute These 2021 4-H Leader Volunteers

Worth County's volunteer 4-H leaders and Extension Council members are (Front Row Left to Right) Jake Urbatsch (Extension Council Secretary), Anneke Urbatsch (Deer Creek Wahelos), Gina Solberg (Deer Creek Wahelos), Lacey Waller (Worth County Extension Office Manager and 4-H Clover Kids), Theresa Butler (Green Shamrocks), Janet Wallin (Hartland Achievers), Sarah Hagen (Extension Council Vice President), Brenda Reicherts (Extension Council), Pat Rothove (Worth County Hoofprints), Michelle Hill (Golden Banner), Mindy Tenold, (Worth County Extension Youth Coordinator), (Back Row) Peter Julseth (Brookfield and Extension Council Treasurer), Allyson Krull (Extension Council), Dennis Johnson (Worth County Extension Education Specialist), Curt Schaub (Extension Council President), Kevin Petznick (4-H Committee) Lynn Tenold (4-H Beef Team and 4-H Committee), (Not Pictured) Dani Gentz, Naomi LaRue, Mary Buren, Chad and Lori Pestorious, Dean Mueller, Heather Rheingans, Jennifer Patterson, Kris Tabbert, Allix and Kevin Braun, Scott Moretz, Eric and Val Foss and Theresa Cooper.

During National 4-H Week we want to take the opportunity to <u>Thank You</u> for all your time and effort as a leader for Worth County 4-H!
Your volunteerism is truly appreciated!

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Worth County 4-H Committee and all of the other volunteers and supporters that make our program successful!
Thank you!

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