

4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER

June 2009

A newsletter for Boone County 4-H members, leaders, and their families.

Dear 4-H Families,

Welcome **Courtney Tingwald** and **Sue Eldridge** who will join our Boone County Extension staff this summer. Courtney is a former member of Peoples Guys and Gals 4-H Club, has completed her freshman year at Iowa State University, and just returned from Australia! Courtney will help with many 4-H summer events including attending Conference as a collegiate 4-H representative on State Council, livestock entries, computer data entry, and in the livestock office during fair.

Sue Eldridge is back for her 7th summer and will be helping with Aerospace Interest Group, Fashion Day, and Communications. Sue lives in Boone with her husband, Brian, and son, Zach and teaches at Sacred Heart School.

County Fair entry forms are due to Boone County Extension Office by June 23 for:

Beef - market, breeding heifers, cow calf, produce of dam, bucket bottle calves and Pen of 3 (bedding fee)	
Horse, Pony, & Mule (including refundable \$10 stall deposit per horse)	Exotic Animals
Sheep	Swine (and proof of erysipelas vaccination)
Poultry (bedding fee)	Dairy Goat and Meat Goat
Rabbit (bedding fee)	Small Pets
Share the Fun	Working Exhibit
Fashion Day - Clothing Selection, Fashion Revue, \$15 Challenge, Decorate Your Duds	

Bring in your completed entry form before June 23 and get a candy bar.

We encourage livestock members to complete state fair entry forms on June 23 also - no later than July 1.

On June 23, Extension office hours will be **8 am to 6:00 pm (leave in drop box after 6:00.)** Copies of the entry form are available in the back of fairbook, at Extension Office, or the website www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm

A 4-H member and parent are expected to sign all entry forms agreeing to read and follow guidelines. **Bedding fees** must accompany the entry forms for beef, dairy, rabbits, and poultry. Make checks payable to Boone County ISU Extension.

Any 4-H'er submitting a **late fair entry** (after June 23) must pay a late fee in the amount of **\$5 per Extension Office workday**.

Pen of 3, market beef, market sheep, and swine exhibitors must bring the completed **Boone County Fair 4-H Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statement** (see above website under 2009 Boone County Fair Information, Entry Forms) to weigh-ins at county fair. Feed additives and medications need to follow instructions and withdrawal times. All 4-H'ers must comply if we want packers to purchase fair livestock.

Bring **Family & Consumer Science** and Special Interest entry forms (including signatures) to fair on judging day, **Wednesday, July 15**. Read your fair book carefully (general rules, division rules, and class descriptions.) Be sure to attach entry tags to exhibits (available from club leaders or Extension Office) and write answers to the four questions on page 21.

Watch videos on www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm (scroll down right side to 4-H Videos.) **Planning Your 4-H Exhibit, Static Exhibits at County Fair, How to Prepare 4 Fair, Explaining Elements and Principles of Design on Goal Cards, Exhibiting Livestock at the County Fair.**

Club's assignment for pre and post fair clean up are in this newsletter (blue.) Bring equipment for:

- Prefair Cleanup on Thursday, July 9 at 7 pm
- Post Fair Cleanup on Sunday evening, July 19 or Monday, July 20.



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Boone County Extension website: www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm
State 4-H Youth website: www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/

Dates to Remember

June, 2009

Club Meetings - Approve payment of club publications billing; plan club tour, exhibit help session; set up committees for fair booth, foodstand, pre or post fair clean up, hosting exhibit building or cleaning showing, and herdsmanship; explain county fair entry forms and deadline; complete exhibit entry tags; discuss state fair livestock entries

Thursdays - Dog obedience classes in Boone at fairgrounds

6 Aerospace Interest Group – priming rockets and practice launch at fairgrounds

7, 13, 20, 27 Horse Interest Group workouts at fairgrounds (3 pm on Sundays and 10 am on Saturdays)

11 Photography project meeting – bring a 5” X 7” photo to matt

13 Rabbit tattooing starting at 9:30 am at fairgrounds (call 515/230-0314 for appointment)

Poultry Pullorum starting at 9:30 am at fairgrounds (call 515/432-7553 for appointment)

14 Shooting Sports – 4-H Camp beginning at 2 pm – archery, rifles, shotgun, GPS

15 4-H Youth Committee clean 4-H foodstand and meeting

17 **County Educational Presentation and Extemporaneous Speaking Contest**

18 Pets project club 7 – 8 at Extension Office

20 Environmental Interest Club – Fairgrounds – exhibiting at County Fair

21 Conference and ROUNDUP orientation at Extension Office at 4:00 pm

County 4-H Council meeting 5:00 pm at Extension Office

23 - 25 Central Iowa Intermediate Trip to the Twin Cities

23 **Go Green Craze** Club Incentive and Evaluation due to Extension Office

23 **Iowa State fair entries for animals and horticulture (must be received by July 1)**

23 **Boone County Fair entries due to EO for all Animals, Fashion Day, Working Exhibits, Share the Fun**

24 Help make fair decorations at Community Building from 6:30 – 8:30 pm

27 Fashion and Textiles Interest Group – Tie Dye T-shirts

28 Aerospace Interest Group judged launch far east parking lot at fairgrounds

30 – July 2 State 4-H Conference and Animal Science ROUNDUP at Iowa State University



July, 2009

Thursdays – dog obedience classes at fairgrounds

1 Last day for state fair animal and hort entries

3 Extension Office closed for holiday

5 and 11 – horse interest group workouts with horses

7 Fashion Day (morning - judging, evening - style show) and Share the Fun (evening)

9 Pre-fair cleanup 7 pm

10 County Council workday from 9 – 11:30 am

12 4-H dog show in show ring beginning at 1:30 pm

July 15 - 20 Boone County Fair with 4-H theme "Looking to the Future - 4-Ever Green"

27 **Post fair evaluation at fairgrounds**



August, 2009

5 - 7 Boone, Greene, Story Tri-county Junior camp

5 State Fair exhibits in Family Consumer Science and Special Interest due to Extension Office

10 Boone County 4-H Council Points for Membership due to EO to be a 2008 – 2009 Council member

August 13 - 23 Iowa State Fair with theme "State Fair Time!"

Website is www.iowastatefair.com/ (for more information look under Competition/How to Enter Premium Books)

Tuesday, August 11 Horse check-in for all classes, Poles and Barrels, Pony and English Showmanship & Pleasure

Wednesday, August 12 Horse Showmanship, Horsemanship, Reining, Trail, Walk Trot

Thursday, August 13 Horse Western Pleasure, Poultry, Dairy Cow

Saturday, August 15 Swine arrive, Horticulture judging

Sunday, August 16 Sheep arrive, Swine and Sheep Showmanship and Premier Exhibitor

Monday, August 17 Beef arrive, Derby/Breeding Swine, Market/Performance Sheep, Beef Showmanship

Tuesday, August 18 Breeding Sheep, Breeding Heifer, Beef of Merit, Market Swine

Wednesday, August 19 Market Beef show, Dairy Goats arrive August 20 Rabbit & Dairy Goat Shows

Saturday August 22 Meat Goat show and Sale of Champion August 23 Dog show

FYI - Changes in postal regulations for non-profit bulk mailings require that we do not staple the newsletter together and that we do tape all open sides.

General 4-H News

Practice your speaking skills or learn from others on June 17

You are invited to come watch county **educational presentations** on Wednesday, June 17 at 4:30 pm in the meeting rooms at the Community Building, Boone County Fairgrounds. Time for the **Extemporaneous Speaking** Contest for senior 4-H'ers will be determined by the number of entries. Up to six presentations and two extemporaneous speakers will be selected to advance to State Fair.

Entry forms were in the May 4-H Newsletter, online at www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm (right side under 4-H Communications) or call EO by June 9.

Working exhibits are given at the fair from 9 - 10 am on Friday morning of fair. See the fair book for details and entry form which is due June 23.

Thank you to clubs for 4-H'ers for 4-H donations

Bluff Creek Wranglers	Green Clovers
Harrison Hilltop Hornets	Luther Livewires
Madrid Duets	Madrid Merry Makers
Montana Miners	Prairie Pride
Rural & City Newcomers	
Town & Country Pioneers	Westside Hustlers

Boone County's total contribution for 2009 is **\$548**.

Orientation for delegates to Conference

Orientation for 4-H Conference and Animal Science ROUNDUP delegates will be Sunday, June 21 from 4:00- 5:00 pm at the Boone County Extension Office. We will be discussing expectations, what to bring, schedule of activities, transportation, and take group photo. Attending **Iowa Youth 4-H Conference** June 30 – July 2 at ISU:

Jess Frantum	Audra Haglund (RU)
Lauren Haglund (RU)	Leah Haglund (RU)
Andrew Heineman	Marcus Heineman
Grant Isaacson	Jackie Means
Kaitlyn Romitti	Samantha Walter
Kelsey Westrum	

Animal Science ROUNDUP delegates sponsored by Boone County Cattleman and 4-H funds.

Thank you to chaperones Tom and Frances Kauffman from Boxholm.

4-H News Briefs

☘ Boone County 4-H members participating in the Central Iowa Area **Intermediate Trip** to the Twin Cities on June 23 - 25 are:

Carissa Brown	Cory Irwin
Jamie Isolini	Brady Kline
Laura Martin	Kenton Reece
Leah Segovia	Elizabeth Sterenberg
Tara Walker	

Chaperones are **Sarah Martin and Robyn Reece**.
Staff coordinator - **Annette Brown**



☘ 4-H members who are completing 9th grade or older, earn 10 points to be on **County 4-H Council** by volunteering, taking on local and county leadership roles, and becoming involved in county and state 4-H activities. The points can be earned between September 1, 2008 and August 1, 2009 and the points sheet is due by August 10. (www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/info/countycouncil.htm)

☘ Remember Boone County 4-H Funds and Endowment will **reimburse \$75** of registration fee after you attend a State 4-H camp. Call 515/795-3338 or visit the camp website at www.extension.iastate.edu/4hcenter/

☘ Congratulations to Iowa 4-H Scholarship winners:

Hallie Satre	Oster Journalism Scholarship
Cory Haglund	Stratton Scholarship
Jacob Venner	Schmalenberger Scholarship
Kevin Hansen	Pioneer Community College
Andrew Heineman	Iowa State Fair Scholarship
Marcus Heineman	Iowa State Fair Scholarship

Jessie Jenkins, Jacoby Bice, Bryant Hunter – alternates.

☘ **North Central Region Volunteer Forum** will be in Lincoln, Nebraska on October 1 – 4. Boone County 4-H Funds will pay 1/3 of your registration fee. Website for more information: 4h.unl.edu/volunteers/forum.htm

☘ **4-H license plates!** \$35 for numbered; \$60 for personalized; and \$15 annual renewal fee. 500 prepaid orders needed by July 1. www.iowa4hfoundation.org. (Check this website for 4-H discounts cultural events.)

Boone County Fair

“Looking to the Future – 4-Ever Green” July 15 – 20, 2009

Volunteers needed during fair (call Extension Office or email jpatt@iastate.edu)

- **Food Stand Workers** for evenings and horse shows.
- **Photographers during livestock shows**

- Special Interest and Family Consumer Science **Judges' Helpers** for judging day, July 16. Please specify your preference 8: 15-10, 10-12, 1-3, or 3 to finish shifts.

- **Extravaganza booth leaders** for Friday July 17 from 10 – 11 p.m. with theme 4-Ever Green. Ideas include crafts from recyclables, healthy snacks, waste free lunch, bean bag toss, water quality, solar/wind energy.

Be prepared for fair

Available to buy at EO anytime before fair are:

- 4-H **armbands and chevrons** for \$1.50.
- **Limited quantity** of white **4-H T-shirts** with Iowa 4-H logo and “Boone County”. Adult sizes S-XL cost \$7; XXL cost \$8.50. New T-shirt design for 2010.

Most of following are available online or at Extension Of. www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm

- **Entry forms, entry tags, and photo labels.**
- Horse show patterns and trail class judging
- Preserved food labels
- *Inappropriate Food Exhibits for Iowa 4-H Fairs*
- *Use of Copyrighted Materials in 4-H Fair Exhibits*
- *Preparing Cut Flowers & Houseplants for Exhibit*
- *Harvesting & Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit*
- *Design: Exploring the Elements & Principles*
- *Color (4H-633)*
- *Unraveling the Mystery of Design Elements and Principles in Clothing (4H-313)*
- *(New) Pulling It All Together – Elements and Principles of Design in Home Improvement (4H492)*

Get Involved at 2009 Boone Co. Fair

☘ **4-H'ers in Action Photos** (see Photography class 851E) Take a photo showing 4-H member(s) illustrating the theme - holidays or seasons. Enlarge to 5” X 7” and include a caption of less than 75 words. Fairgoers will vote for their favorite photo and it will represent Boone County at the Iowa State Fair.



☘ **Plant flowers** in a planter or bucket to beautify the fairgrounds during fair. Bring to the fair on Wednesday July 15, keep watered during fair, and take home Sunday.

☘ **4-Ever Green Quilt block contest** - Pick up your packet (\$3) of four fabrics and sew a quilt block with your own or an established pattern. The blocks need to be returned by June 26. Fairgoers will vote for their favorite blocks and prizes awarded on Sunday, July 19.



☘ **Quilt raffle** - the 2008 “Wildflowers in Spring” quilt blocks have been sewn into a queen size quilt. You will see the quilt on display around the county and at fair. Purchase raffle tickets for \$1 each or six for \$5. Drawing will be at county fair on Sunday, July 19 at 4:45 pm.

☘ **Ag Olympix** - Get a team of six members together to do team events such as rope pull, wheel barrow race, and slippery melon contest. Individuals age 4 - 8 and 8 - 12 can enter the feed sack race and hay bale hurdles.

☘ The **parade** will be Thursday, July 16 at 5:30 p.m. Entry forms available from www.boonecountyfairia.com.

☘ **Fair Queen** contest (ages 16-21) entries are due June 15. Judging will be done on July 12 and is based on personality, attitude, poise, appearance, contribution to community, and leadership. www.boonecountyfairia.com/ Crowning of the fair queen will be Thursday, July 16 after the parade on the Community Building Stage.

☘ **Pre 4-H age sheep, rabbit (new), and bucket bottle calf** entries are due June 30 to the fair board office.

☘ IJBBA sanctioned **open beef show** on Sunday, July 19 with check in noon – 1:30 pm and show at 3:00 p.m.

☘ **Improvements at the Boone County Fairgrounds:** painting inside of commercial building, new carpet on walls of community building, shade awning south of commercial building, improvements to restrooms in block building, new stage SE of community building, and shade area for Little Hands on the Farm south of poultry area.

☘ Welcome to Don and Tracy Kinna who are new **4-H foodstand** managers. Menu includes Godfather’s pizza by the slice during lunch/supper, homemade cinnamon rolls, walking tacos, frosty malts, and Pepsi products.

☘ **Thank you** to Farm Credit Services of America for giving all 4-H/FFA exhibitors a punch card worth \$5 at 4-H foodstand. Look for card in livestock exhibitor packet.

☘ Help to create globes, tree silhouettes, wind turbines, and denim pockets on picket fence **decorations** to carry out the fair theme on Wednesday, June 24 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the fairgrounds. Wear painting clothes.

☘ Aerospace Interest Group members have been building and painting **model rockets**. You are invited to see the **judged launch** at the east parking lot at the fairgrounds on Sunday, June 28 beginning at 6 pm – weather permitting. Bring a lawn chair. Hot dogs and pop available for donation.

☘ 4-H Family pool party is Monday, July 20 from 8:30 to 10:20 p.m. at Boone pool in McHose Park. \$1/person.

Join us on July 7 for Fashion Day and Share the Fun

\$15 Challenge – purchase an outfit (top and bottom or a dress) at Goodwill, Salvation Army, or a garage sale for \$15 or less. Keep the receipt to turn in with Clothing Event Report Form.

Clothing Selection – open to any 4-H member – model a purchased garment or outfit - no price limit.

Decorate Your Duds! - open to any 4-H member - purchase any item of clothing and use your creativity to decorate it with buttons, paint, ribbon, stamping, or your own ideas. **Duds** are not judged, only modeled

Fashion Revue is for clothing project members who sew a garment or outfit.

Enter any of the above by June 23 on the entry form found on page 31 of the fairbook. Include information about your outfit, accessories, and your interests to read while you model. The same garments can also be entered as clothing exhibits at fair.

Activities on the morning of **Fashion Day**, Monday, July 7, for 4-H'ers in clothing selection and fashion revue will include judging, decorate your duds T shirt, and practice modeling at the Community Building.

The style show, ribbon presentation, and Share the Fun contest will begin at 7 pm at Community Building.

Share the Fun involves one or more 4-H members in an entertaining act with an eight minute time limit. Judging is based on the participants and audience enjoying the presentation.

Iowa State Fair "State Fair Time"

www.iowastatefair.org/

August 13 – 23, 2009

How to enter animals and horticulture for state fair

State Fair 4-H premium books are available online at www.iowastatefair.org. Click on "Competition" and "How to Enter/Premium Books." **Entry forms will soon be available at the Extension Office.** See the dates of livestock shows on page 2 – *Dates to Remember*.

4-H'ers who have just completed 5th – 12th grades may exhibit animals at the Iowa State Fair by **completing entry forms, signing Iowa Youth Code of Ethics, and paying fees on June 23** with county fair entries or **no later than July 1**. Information needed:

- **Signatures** of 4-H'er and parent on entry form and Iowa Youth Code of Ethics
- **Number of animals** to be exhibited (& horse classes)
- Name of **chaperone** if staying in Youth Inn.

It's the 4-H'ers responsibility to bring only animals listed on the ID form and to follow all rules listed in the State Fair 4-H Premium Book. Market beef, sheep, meat goats, swine and derby swine animals must be selected from animals verified earlier (retinal images or DNA tag.)

Iowa State Fair opportunities

- **Jon and Peg King**, longtime 4-H volunteers, will be inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame on Sunday Aug. 23.
- Senior age 4-H'ers and adults can be **volunteers** in the **4-H Exhibit Building** (set up/judging days on Aug. 10-12), during the fair with exhibits, computer entry, communications, or check out on Aug. 23-24) or at a **Livestock Show** (check in, weighing, paperwork.) Some meals, lodging at Cultural Center and admission ticket are included. More information and applications at: www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/StateFair/StateFairInfo.htm. Contact kmmaig@iastate.edu or 515/294-1982 with any questions, and we hope to see you at the fair!
- Individuals, families, or clubs can volunteer to be **hosts** in the 4-H exhibit building during the days or evenings of fair. Contact Karen Naig (see above)
- Iowa **Beef Heifer Award** (given by Iowa Cattlemen's Association) application is due by July 24. Criteria include scope of beef project, and community and beef industry involvement. Any 4-H'er who exhibits a beef animal at the 2009 Iowa State Fair is eligible. www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/livestockhandbook.htm

Ag News

Exhibits related to animals in CommunityBuilding

Anyone who is enrolled in an animal project may enter a poster, video, display box, notebook, etc. related to the animal in Class 101A (Div T Ag & Natural Resources.)



and correcting the Identification form. Animals exhibited at county or state fair **must be selected from those identified** on the ID forms.

- **Produce of dam** calves must have 4-H ear tag, birth date, weight, sex, and breed.
- **Purebred market and breeding beef** animals must have breed information on ID forms and must bring the registration papers to county fair check in.
- **Pen of 3** exhibitors – Cattle will be scanned by ultrasound at weigh in. If you decide to deliver to Tyson-Denison plant, they do not accept cattle with a live weight greater than 1,500 lb. 4-Her's are encouraged to market heavy cattle prior to fair or find local locker to harvest animals.

Ag News Briefs

- Please cut **weight circles** (inside fold near top) from Purina dog food products to purchase an agility jump for dog obedience classes. Points are needed from approximately 2500 pounds of dog food. A collection can be at Extension Office or take to dog obedience classes.
- **Poultry Pullorum testing** will be Saturday, June 13 beginning at 9:30 am. Call Merlyn and Mary Haringa at 515/432-7553 for an appointment. All birds that do not have a 2009 hatchery certificate must be tested. Cost is \$1 per bird for a leg band.
- **Rabbit tattooing** will be Saturday, June 13 beginning at 9:30 am. Call Mindy Moeller 515/230-0314 for an appointment. Rabbits must be tattooed by June 23.
- The Extension Office has *Standards of Perfection* breed books for both rabbits and poultry with color photos and descriptions of breed characteristics. 4-H'ers must know the breed of their exhibits for judging.
- In order for a lamb to show as a **commercial ewe**, the ID forms need to include a birth date. Call EO with date.
- If any animal loses a 4-H ear tag, call the EO or superintendent for instructions on replacing the ear tag



4-H ID forms Species	4Hers 2009	Animals 2009	4-Hers 2008	Animals 2008
Swine	27	129	33	130
Market Sheep	25	123	24	118
Horses	54	110	57	112
Dogs	27	30	35	37
Dairy Cow	3	3	--	--
Dairy Goats	2	3	3	7
Meat Goats	6	19	5	24
Breeding Beef	39	78	31	54
Market Beef	36	49	40	68
Pens of 3	12	8 pens	17	13 pens

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County Fair Entries due by June 23 – all animals, fashion day, working exhibits, share the fun

Turn in before June 23 and get a candy bar!
We encourage members to do state fair animal/horticulture entries same day.

Don't miss out on the fun at Tri-County Junior Camp August 5 - 7

What: Boone, Greene, Story Tri-County Junior Camp
When: Wed. Aug. 5 at 10 am to Fri. Aug. 7 at 8:30 pm
Where: Iowa 4-H Camping Center (west of Luther)
Who: 4-H club members completing 4th-6th grades
Cost: \$126 with 4-H'er paying \$84 and 4-H funds \$42

Keep records all year long – how to examples on website

On www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm (scroll down right side under 4-H Club Resources) you will find record keeping forms to download and examples of how to fill out the participation summary and all project records. Also, an example 4-H record book can be checked out from your club leader or Extension Office to help you with record keeping.

Congratulations to clubs with 3% growth – root beer floats

The following clubs increased membership by 3% or more over 2008. 4-H funds will provide root beer floats for an upcoming meeting and a star on club booth at fair.

Boxhom Blazers	Green Clovers
Harrison Happy Hustlers	Madrid Merry Makers
Town & Country Pioneers	Westside Hustlers

Go Green Craze incentive due June 23

Reminder to 4-H clubs who have been doing **Go Green Craze** activities to turn in your club incentive and evaluation form by June 23 to earn a water bottle and one free fill of lemonade or iced tea at the 4-H foodstand for each club member and leader participating. Clubs will also have a certificate on club booth at fair.



Scavenger Hunt for 4-H Camp continues through June

The May 4-H newsletter included a wish list for the 4-H Camp (www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm under **Go Green Craze**.) Donations are being collected at the Extension Office or larger items at the 4-H camp on June 26 from 1 – 4 pm. Each donation will be assigned a point value and the club with highest points will be awarded refreshments and a staff-led-outdoor-activity at the camp. Contact Diana Means-Freeman 515/795-4225.

Fair Static Exhibit Questions and Answers

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm>

Q. Why do I have to write goal cards?

Your goal for an exhibit determines how it is evaluated. Thinking through your goal, what you did and learned, and what you plan to do next, helps 4-Hers to prepare for talking to the judge. The answers, photos, etc. also help the judge better evaluate your exhibit. The answers can be videotaped, hand written, or typed on the computer. See fair book page 21 and example on back.

Q. Why all the concern about copyright?

A copyright and/or trademark are legal methods used by authors, publishers, programmers, artists, musicians, photographers, and others to protect their original and creative works. Also sources of information (books, magazines, Internet) should always be cited giving the originator appropriate credit for their work. Copyrighted items cannot be put on public display (fair) without permission from the originator. A sample letter to obtain permission is available from the website above.

Q. What are the copyright issues concerning recipes or directions for an exhibit?

A recipe must be included with food product exhibits. To give credit to where the recipe was found, include the book or magazine title, publisher, and date of publication. If the recipe has been given to you by an individual write that person's name.

If you are including directions (such as art idea from a magazine or woodworking plans) include the original directions, if possible.

In a presentation or working exhibit, members should not duplicate a recipe or directions from a book or magazine to hand out without permission

Q. In which class do I enter a pillow, quilt, curtains that I sewed?

If your goal was to make a furnishing for your room or a special occasion, Home Improvement class 531D – Fabrics in the Home would fit. Or if you are sewing to learn to use the sewing machine Clothing class 511D would be appropriate. For both include the elements /principles of design.

Q. Can 4-H'ers use the 4-H clover in exhibits?

Because the 4-H clover is the symbol for our 4-H organization, permission is granted to members as long as the following guidelines are followed. Include the "18 U.S.C. 707" by the clover. The traditional clover is green with the H's white or gold. No other printing or design can cover the clover. Items including the clover cannot be sold for personal profit.

Q. Where do I enter a place setting?

Place settings may be entered in Food and Nutrition class 521B Consumer Behavior and Management (include menu and all table service to serve that menu) or Home Improvement class 531C Accessories for the Home (include elements and principles of design.)

Q. Can I use computer clip art on a poster?

Check the permission statements with the images or galleries. Print out the permission statement and include with exhibit. Some allow personal, non-commercial use if you register. Others say "all rights reserved" and give no permission. Others may allow personal, home use only – which does not include at fair exhibits.

Q. For Share the Fun acts does the group have to get permission to use background music or to read a written poem or story?

To use music as a background, you have to buy the tape or CD and use that original. The poem or story must be read directly from the book or magazine – you cannot make copies. Consider passing the book around, having one person read, or request permission from the publisher.

Q. For Share the Fun can we change the words of a song?

It has been established that parodies do not infringe on copyright restrictions. The more different the parody is from the original, the better. Many common folk songs are public domain either due to age or unknown origin.

Q. Can I frost my food exhibit?

Frostings with powdered sugar, milk, and flavoring are acceptable but note that it will "melt" in hot humid weather. Frosting with raw eggs is NOT acceptable. Cream cheese frosting is acceptable if made with at least 4 cups sugar to 8 ounces cream cheese.

Q. Can I computer enhance a photo that I did not take? What photography class?

Only photos taken by the 4-H'er during the current club year (since last June) may be entered in Classes 851A or 851B. If your goal is to learn to use the computer to alter or enhance a photo, then yes the exhibit would be appropriate for Class 851C. Read the class description carefully. State clearly that you did not take the photo, identify the source, and completely describe how the photo was altered.

Q. Can I draw known cartoon characters for visual art and change poses and expressions?

Not without copyright permission. Use your artistic and creative talents to develop your own characters and stories. Enter your sketches in Visual Art Class 821B. If your **purchase** stickers, fabric, cards, paper, etc. with copyrighted characters, you can use those in an exhibit.

Q. In which class should I enter a computer exhibit?

If your goal was to learn a program or techniques on the computer enter class 901A "Computer" under Science, Mechanics, and Engineering.

Q. In what class should I enter an exhibit related to my animals?

Ag & Natural Resources Class 101 A Animal Science

For more questions and answers:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/StateFair/StateFairInfo.htm>

