

4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER

July 2009

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

Dear 4-H Families,

What do ribbon colors mean?

Iowa 4-H uses the Danish system of judging - rather than competing against someone else, youth challenge themselves to create exhibits that represent their best. The Danish system places exhibits in groups representing standards met. Judging is intended to educate, evaluate, and encourage.

Purple means the exhibit exceeded standards. It is the highest ribbon awarded.

Blue means the exhibits met all standards well.

Red means the exhibits met some standards well, but could use improvement on other standards.

White means the exhibit needs improvement on many standards or is missing information critical to evaluation.

Goals for 4-H'ers at county fair:

- 4-H'ers have an opportunity to demonstrate and communicate what they have learned.
- Opportunity for the public to see 4-H in action.
- 4-H'ers receive feedback on their exhibits through education, evaluation, encouragement.
- Provide families a chance to work and have fun together.



Enjoy the Boone County Fair! Invite your friends & family to come to the County Fair to see what 4-H'ers do.

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Visit websites: www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm or State 4-H Youth: www.extension.iastate.edu/4H

Dates to Remember

July 2009

Club meetings - County fair responsibilities, read 4-H newsletter fair issue, update record keeping.

- 9 Final dog obedience class in show ring at fairgrounds all participants encouraged to attend
- 9 Prefair clean up - see June 4-H Newsletter for club responsibilities or www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm
- 10 County Council workday 9 – 11:30 am at Extension Office
- 11 Horse Interest Group workout with horses at 10 am at fairgrounds
- 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!"

- 20 4-H Pool Party** – McHose Park in Boone 8:30 – 10:20 pm \$1/person
- 25 Environmental Interest Club, tour landfill and recycling center
- 27 Post fair meeting at fairgrounds 7 p.m.

August 2008

- 5 **Static exhibits** selected for State Fair due to Extension Office
- 5 – 7 Tri County (Boone, Story, Greene) Junior Camp
- 9 Shooting Sports at 4-H Camping Center
- 10 Boone County 4-H Council Points for Membership due to EO to be a 2009 – 2010 Council member
- 13 - 23 Iowa State Fair
- 13 AKSARBEN entries due to Extension Office
- 23 Jon and Peg King inducted into 4-H Hall of Fame at State Fair
- 29 State 4-H Interviews and Recognition Event at ISU

General 4-H News

Go Green Craze

The following clubs have been doing **Go Green Craze** activities all year and completed the incentive/evaluation form to earn 4-H water bottles and coupons for one free lemonade or iced tea at the 4-H foodstand.

Amaqua Warriors	Bluff Creek Wranglers
Green Clovers	Luther Livewires
Madrid Duets	Madrid Merry Makers
Montana Miners	Peoples Guys and Gals
Westside Hustlers	

Acres of Adventures Craze

This fall, each club will receive an *Acres of Adventures* guide with hands-on activities related to agriculture and life science. The four agriculturally based themes are:

All About Agriculture	Fast Food Agriculture
Mystery Agriculture	Plant Detectives

News Briefs:

✿ Evangelical Free Church and Eastern Star Masonic Homes in Boone will have **Fair Day on Saturday, July 25**. 4-H members are invited to bring animals and other exhibits to the nursing homes (Eve Free 10:30 – 11:30 am and Eastern Star from 1 – 2 pm) and will provide lunch to the 4-H'ers. Call Marshall or Jean King at 432-1181.

✿ To serve on **County Council** 4-H members who have completed 9th grade or older need to earn 10 points by volunteering, leadership, and attending 4-H activities between September 1, 2008 and August 1, 2009. Points sheets are due by August 10.

✿ **New 4-H Scholarship – Helen Jean Bice Memorial 4-H Scholarship** will be awarded to one 2009 high school graduate who will be majoring in Family Consumer Science, Early Childhood Education, or Elementary Education in college this fall. Thank you to Lawrence Bice and family.

✿ Boone County is very fortunate to have the following **4-H Scholarship** available to freshmen and upperclass Boone County 4-H Alumni. Applications are due by September 15. More information at (scroll on right to 4-H Scholarships) www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/kidsteens.htm

- **Alice M. Flynn Memorial** \$200 scholarship to a Boone County 4-H'er who is a 2009 high school graduate and who will be studying Agriculture in college Fall 2009.
- **Boone County Alumni** (who have at least 50 semester hours of college) – four \$400 scholarships.
- **Julienne Blomgren Memorial** (community college or vocational school student) - one \$500 scholarship.
- **Chet Randolph Memorial** given to college upper classman majoring in an ag-related field. Write an essay on where you think agriculture is going to be in 10 years.

✿ **Shooting Sports** will not meet in July but will resume on Aug. 9 and Sept. 13 at 4-H Camping Center. Parents are asked to stay with members 4th - 6th grades.

✿ Jon and Peg King will be the Boone County Inductees into the **4-H Hall of Fame** at the Iowa State Fair on Sunday, August 23 at 1:30 p.m. Peg has been a 4-H leader for 27 years – starting two clubs - Green Clovers and Rural and City Newcomers (currently organization leader.) To raise funds for community building improvements 16 years ago, Peg started the pancake fundraiser. To increase fair participation by pre-4-H'ers, she started the youth bucket bottle calf show. Jon served 20



years on the Boone County Fair Board. Both are currently beef superintendents. Thank you Jon and Peg!

“4-Ever Green” at County Fair

- **Ag Olympix** will be on Friday afternoon, July 17, in the showing at 4 pm sponsored by the Boone County 4-H Council. **Team events** include greased melon, rope pull, and wheelbarrow race. Sign up your club team or team of six 4-H and/or FFA members at the 4-H Livestock Office. Individual events are hay bale hurdles and feed sack races for ages 4 – 8 and 8 – 12 years.

- **4-H'ers in Action Photos** (class 851E) vote for the photo you think best represents the theme Holidays and Seasons. Photo with highest number of votes will be displayed at state fair.

- **Pool Party** for 4-H members, families, and friends at Boone Swimming Pool in McHose Park on Monday, July 20 from 8:30 – 10:20 p.m. \$1/person admission.

- **Quilt Raffle** - Purchase raffle tickets for “Wildflowers in Spring” queen size quilt at Boone County Fair for \$1 each or six for \$5. Drawing will be 4:45 pm on July 19 before exhibits are released. Proceeds support 4-H fair premiums.

- **Garden Challenge** teams of adults and youth have been growing marigolds and zinnias to be judged at fair by Master Gardeners on July 17 at 6 pm..

- **Boone County Fair Board** members have been working very hard to make improvements at the fairgrounds: Remodel block rest rooms, build shade shelter south of Commercial Building, add to the poultry shelter for a Little Hands on the Farm area, paint inside of Commercial Building, paint stage of Community Building; build new Leonard Good stage southeast of Community building.

Available from Extension Office

- Entry forms, entry tags, photo labels, and food preservation labels
- 4-H **armbands and chevrons** for \$1.50.
- **4-H T-shirts (limited sizes)** Adult sizes M-XL cost \$7
- *Preparing Cut Flowers & Houseplant for Exhibit*
- *Harvesting & Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit*
- *Unraveling the Mystery of Design Elements and Principles in Clothing* (4-H 313)



Thank You!

- ☘ Memorial to **Randy Flynn** purchased new outdoor speaker system (used at rocket launch.)
- ☘ **Montana Miners** planting, watering, and weeding flower beds and planters at fair grounds
- ☘ **Town and Country Pioneers, Harrison Happy Hustlers, and Diana Means**, and youth and adult volunteers who led kids' games at Relay for Life.
- ☘ **Gretta and Cory Irwin** for power washing the 4-H foodstand inside and out. Thanks to **4-H Youth Committee** members for cleaning/painting 4-H foodstand.
- ☘ Thanks to Dean Meier, rabbit committee and members who built new **rabbit cages** on May 31.
- ☘ **Luther Livewires** and **Harrison Hilltop Hornets** for repairing, washing, and painting dividers and storage shed.
- ☘ **Merlyn & Mary Harringa, Jean Rhodes, Kim Meier, Pat Strait** for testing poultry and **Mindy Moeller** and **Samantha Gifford** for tattooing rabbits on June 13.
- ☘ **Donors to sand fund, M&J Aggregate, Horse Interest Group** for improvements at the east horse arena.
- ☘ **Kathy and Kaitlyn Romitti**, 4-H'ers, and adults who helped make "4-Ever Green" decorations!
- ☘ **Westside Hustlers** and **Rural and City Newcomers (in memory of Randy Flynn)** for each purchasing 3picnic tables for the new shade shelter.
- ☘ **Rural and City Newcomers** and **Madrid Duets** for purchasing banners for the rabbit/poultry barns.
- ☘ **Peoples Guys and Gals** donation in memory of Helen Bice purchased a large cooking pot, storage containers, step stool, and crock pot for 4-H foodstand.



Ag News Briefs

- ☘ 4-H Horse Interest Group workout with horses will be Saturday, **July 11** at the fairgrounds. Be ready to ride at 10 am. Call before you haul - Jessica Haht 515/708-1386.
- ☘ **Town and Country Saddle Club** from Story County will sponsor an Open Horse Fun Show at the Boone County Fairgrounds on Friday, July 17, starting at 5 pm. Show bill on Boone County Fair website www.boonecountyfairia.com/ (look under Open Class.)
- ☘ All **AK-SAR-BEN** livestock entries are due to the EO by August 13. AK-SAR-BEN is September 24 - 27 in Omaha. Livestock exhibitors must be 10 years old and horse exhibitors 12 years by Jan. 1 of current year.

Cost of Food Ingredients.

To calculate, divide the purchase price by the number of servings (or measure, such as cups) in your recipe.

Flour	\$2.40/5 pounds (20c.)	12¢/cup
Sugar	\$2.09/4 pounds (8 c.)	26¢/cup
Brown sugar	\$1.49/2 pounds (5c.)	30¢/cup
Powdered sugar	\$1.49/2pounds (7 c.)	21¢/cup
Margarine	99¢/pound (2 c.)	25¢/stick = 1/2 cup
Butter	\$2.20/pound (2 c.)	55¢/stick = 1/2 cup
Milk	\$1.60/1/2 gal. (8 c.)	20¢/cup
Cooking oil	\$2.99/48 oz. (6 c.)	50¢/cup
Eggs	\$1.40/dozen	12¢/egg
Peanut butter	\$2.39/18 oz. (2c.)	\$1.20cup
Oatmeal	\$2.99/42 oz. (15c.)	20¢/cup
Baking soda, powder, salt. Vanilla flavoring		.03¢/tsp.

Remember: Any preserved food recipe must be from a safe approved source. Contact AnswerLine at 1/800/262-3804.

Iowa State Fair "State Fair Time"

August 13 – 23, 2009

www.iowastatefair.org

State Fair Volunteers

- Adults and youth are needed to be **evening hosts** in the 4-H exhibit building during the state fair. Gate admission and parking permit will be provided. Apply by July 15
- Senior age 4-H'ers and adults can be **volunteers** in the 4-H Exhibit Building (with exhibits, computer entry, communications, etc.) or at a Livestock Show (check in, weighing, paperwork.)
- Check out the following web site with 4-H questions. www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/StateFair/index.htm

Boone County 4-H Exhibitors at Iowa State Fair

Beef (Show August 17, 18, 19)

Rebecca Freeman, Audra, Leah, and Lauren Haglund, Andrew and Marcus Heineman, Aubrey and Bryant Hunter, Spencer Nelson, Skyler Rinker, Troy and Kendall Shaw, Trevor Stephens *Ogden*, Bryce Snedden. *Grand Junction*

Horse, Pony, Mule (Shows August 11, 12, 13)

Ryan Collen, *Dayton*, Elizabeth Lee, *Madrid*, Taylor Kokemiller, *Boone*,

Poultry (Show August 13)

Matt Swanson and Hannah Swanson, *Madrid*

Rabbit (Show August 20)

Lucas, Delaney, and Claire Aitchison, *Madrid*; Charles and Melanie Long, *Boone*, Abby Peters, *Woodward*

Meat Goat (Show August 22)

Nick Yaeger, *Boone*

Dog (Show August 23)

Haley Bethards, *Madrid*

Swine (Show August 16, 17, 18)

Emma Clausen, *Paton*, Mary and Sarah Heiller, *Boone*, Rebecca Freeman, Andrew, Grant, and Marcus Heineman, *Ogden*, Alexa Lingren, *Pilot Mound*, Kelsey and Quinten Westrum, *Stratford*

Sheep (July 16, 17, 18)

Jordyn Achenbach, *Woodward*

Communications

Extemporaneous Speaking

Spencer Larson, *Madrid* & Jake Venner *Boone* 8/23

Educational Presentations

Andrew Larson, *Madrid* (Aug 17 am)
Natalie Toms, *Madrid* (Aug. 22 am)
Michaela Ostendorf, *Madrid* (Aug. 13 am)
Kaitlyn Romitti, *Madrid* (Aug. 18 am)
Zach Martin, *Boone* (Aug. 17 am)
Alexa Lingren, *Pilot Mound* (Aug. 13 am)

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Record keeping & 4-H awards

4-H records will be due to club leaders by **September 1** or as requested. Remember that your records should include everything you've done in 4-H, not just the exhibits you took to the fair. You do not have to exhibit at fair to complete a project.

The **Participation Summary** should be used to record overall 4-H participation and briefly summarize project participation. Use a **basic, experienced, or advanced** project record for more details on your projects (unless included on project worksheets.) The forms plus examples on how to complete are available at:

www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/news/4hrecordkeeping.htm

If a project guide is one that you write in, a member may use it for record keeping. Include fair write ups with project records, photos, and clippings.

4-H'ers must complete project worksheets for:
dog cat horse beef sheep swine
dairy cow and goat rabbit poultry small pets

The **Participation Summary** will be used to apply for bronze, silver, or gold project **award**. Simply summarize the project on page 2 or 3 of Participation Summary and write 2009 in the appropriate column at the bottom of that project.

For outstanding and special awards the entire record book will come to the county office.

Leaders - Mark your calendars for Thursday, **September 15 for fall leader training**. Record books will be due to Extension Of. for county awards selection by September 15.



Register soon for Junior Camp August 5 – 7 “Dare 2 Explore!”

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 & 4-H funds \$42

Activities: Science experiments from *Antarctica Secrets*, swimming, teams course, campfire cooking, fun evening activities. Campers choose from high ropes, climbing tower, mega zip, air rifle, creek walk, canoeing, and fishing. Friday evening BBQ for whole family.

4-H Extravaganza on Friday morning from 9 – 11 a.m. will include sugar maple syrup, mini golf, helpful hydrogels, recycled bracelets and flowers, cars, litter bugs, and food samples. Come and bring your family. Working exhibits judged 9-10 am.

4-H Foodstand – thank you volunteers

The 4-H foodstand at county fair raises funds that support the Boone County 4-H program all year long!

Thank you to all volunteer workers. Our goals:

- *Be attentive to our customers and be accurate!
- *Serve safe, tasty food and beverages.
- *Keep foodstand and outside area clean.
- *Follow instructions of managers, Don and Tracy Kinna. Let them know if you are running low on item.
- *Use paper forms for sandwich/nacho orders. Collect complete order on a tray and take to cashier.