



SEPTEMBER 2011 NEWSLETTER

4-H Families:

The 4-H program year 2011 is now completed and we begin the 2011-2012 new program year September 15th. To wrap up this year, 4-H'ers will want to finish their 4-H records and use this information to apply for county awards.

Application forms can be found on our website www.extension.iastate.edu/lee or call our office 319-835-5116 and forms will be mailed to you.

THANK YOU

Congratulations to all Lee County 4-H members for your achievements in 4-H at the county as well as the state level. It's never too late to say "thank you." Part of being a good 4-H member is letting people know you appreciate their support. Please remember to say thank you; it's just the right thing to do.

Keeping 4-H records is a five-step process:

1. Determine your interests.
2. Set your goals.
3. Form an action plan.
4. Write or record information.
5. Evaluate and future plans.

Recognition and awards member may apply for include:

Project Award – Recognizes efforts of a 4-H member in a project area. A certificate is given at the awards program to members who meet the criteria on the application form.

Outstanding Project Award – Recognizes 4-H members for personal growth and development in specific award areas.

Major Awards – Recognizes 4-H members for personal growth and development.

Forms for these award recognitions are available from the Extension office.

Outstanding Volunteer Award

Adults dedicate a lot of their time to help you have a great 4-H experience. The Outstanding Volunteer Award is presented to an outstanding dedicated adult who gives many hours of time to the 4-H program. If you would like to nominate someone for this award call our office and let us know who you would like to nominate.

INVITE A FRIEND TO 4-H

Now is the time to invite a friend or neighbor to join 4-H. Anyone who is in the 4th grade is eligible to be a member. In Lee County members may join as 3rd graders and are considered a pre-4-H'er and will not be eligible to exhibit livestock at the fair.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

National 4-H week is **October 3rd – 9th** what can your club do to promote 4-H?

- Special club display in store window.
- Plan a special club event for recruiting youngsters in your community.
- Have a poster contest in your club – use posters in the community.
- Ask each member to bring a guest to your next meeting.
- Need a fund-raising project? Do it during National 4-H Week.
- Volunteer to tell about 4-H in church or to your class.
- Talk about other ideas at your September meeting.

Coming up

Leaders Meeting – September 14th at 6:00 pm in Lee County Extension Meeting Room.

4-H County Council Meeting – September

4-H Hayride - October

4-H Awards Program scheduled for November 13th Roling Hall, Fort Madison, Iowa.

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