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## *August 4-H Newsletter Dates to Remember*

<b>August 10</b>	<b>State Fair Exhibits due (8:00-4:30) EO</b>
<b>Aug 13-23</b>	<b>Iowa State Fair</b>
<b>August 14</b>	<b>Ak-Sar-Ben entries due (4:30 pm) EO</b>
<b>August 24</b>	<b>Youth Committee Meeting (6:00 pm) EO</b>
<b>August 24</b>	<b>Livestock Committee Meeting (7:00 pm) EO</b>
<b>August 25</b>	<b>State Fair Exhibits pick up (8:00-4:30) EO</b>
<b>August 31</b>	<b>Leader Meeting (6:00 pm) EO</b>
<b>Sept. 4</b>	<b>Record Books due (4:30 pm) EO</b>
<b>Sept. 12-20</b>	<b>Clay County fair</b>
<b>October 4-10</b>	<b>National 4-H Week</b>

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**EO=Extension Office LC=Learning Center  
FG=Fairgrounds VGC=Ventura Gun Club**

## SHOOTING SPORTS UPDATE

Shoot nights will be held on August 4 and 18 at the Ventura Gun club. An organizational meeting for the NEW shooting sports club will be held in September! The shooting sports club will work on archery, rifle, shotgun, and other areas of interest to the members. Watch your September newsletter for details.

## STAPLES AT FAIRGROUNDS

The North Iowa Fair office requests help removing staples from the barns at the fairgrounds. Many staples were put in for stall cards etc. throughout the fair, and these need to be pulled out. If you can arrange a time to help, bring pliers with you, and call the fair office and let them know you are coming. Their phone number is 641-423-3811.



## AMERICORPS POSITION

The Extension Office has an opening for a part time AmeriCorps worker to provide E-Set programming at after school camps. The primary focus would be Lego Mindstorms, with other camps to include Rockets, Exploring the Universe, etc. The AmeriCorps member must be at least 17 years old, have a driver's license, and be willing to complete background screening. The AmeriCorps worker will provide 20 hours of planning/camps a week, several hours of which must occur during business hours M-F, arranged to fit in with the individual's other commitments.

Benefits to AmeriCorps worker include \$475 monthly stipend (pre-tax), and a \$2362.50 educational voucher for future or past college expenses, all required training/travel will be reimbursed. Please call the Extension Office if you are interested in more information or would like to apply. The AmeriCorps member will start in September.

## NORTH IOWA FAIR RESULTS

The North Iowa Fair results are posted on the extension website at [www.extension.iastate.edu/cerrogordo](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/cerrogordo) Congratulations to everyone... and remember to send a thank you to the award donors! Without them, we could not provide the trophies, buckles, chairs, etc. Please call or email Alison if you need the address for your donor (s).



## LATE LIVESTOCK ENTRIES

This year we had numerous late livestock entries, and some entries were received for animals that had not been ID'ed. This created problems in entering 4-H'ers into classes, and printing show programs. We allowed several 4-H'ers to show with no premiums, but this **will not** be allowed next year. Please mark your calendar now, as the following dates will not change.

**May 15**-animal ID's due: horse, beef, swine, sheep, goat, dairy, bucket bottle, and dog. If your animal has been weighed in prior to this date, the Extension Office will have that ID.

**June 15**- livestock entries due: horse, beef, swine, sheep, goat, dairy, bucket bottle, dog, poultry, and rabbit.

## THANKS FROM 4-H MOM

We received a great email from a 4-H mom who wanted to express her gratitude to the CC Riders club for the gift certificates given to her son and his cousin. Owen and Charlie were hard at work cleaning up outside at the fairgrounds, and their hard work was noticed by others! Great job guys! You will make great 4-H'ers!

**THANKS MARILYN AND SARAH  
FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK  
THIS SUMMER!**

*Dear 4-H members, families, and leaders,*

It's hard to believe another 4-H year has come and went! August is the month of State Fair, back to school, and record books! Plan now to get yours complete and ready to be turned in. Remember, fair is not the only time that awards are given. Your hard work throughout the year deserves recognition, too. Apply for project awards, and seniors, don't forget the award opportunities that you have, especially the Chicago trip! Three lucky 4-H'ers were able to go on an all expense paid trip last year over Thanksgiving weekend and had a great time with other 4-H'ers in our area!

*Alison Roe*

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## **LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE**

The 4-H Livestock Committee will meet at 7pm on Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at the Extension Office. Please call or e-mail Alison if you would like to join the livestock committee, or have comments/concerns to be brought up at the meeting.

## **FALL LEADER'S MEETING**

A fall leader's meeting will be held on Monday, August 31 at 6pm at the Extension Office, all current and prospective club leaders are encouraged to attend. We will be having a fair evaluation, discussing changes in store for 4-H this year, and I will have all the re-enrollment forms for 4-Hers that night. Bring your calendars, as we will be scheduling the required leader trainings that night.

## **NEW CLUB LEADERS NEEDED!**

We have had several long-time 4-H leaders express an interest in having new leaders take over their roles. Maybe now is a good time for you to help out your 4-H club? We will have to look into combining/disbanding clubs that do not have active leaders.

## **RECORD BOOK TIPS**

Record book forms are online, if you need more. On the website click kids/teens and 4-H and under record book and awards there should be links to everything you need-including livestock record forms that do all your calculations for you! If you are having trouble finding what you need, call or email Alison. We are also available to help you work on your books, just call the office and let us know when you are coming in.

## **PROJECT AWARD APPLICATIONS**

The format for project award applications has changed a little this year. Please look over the attached award application and use this when turning in record books this year. All award applications should be placed in the front left pocket of the record book. If you need additional copies of the project award application, check the website or stop in to the Extension Office.



## **SENIOR AWARD APPLICATIONS**

Senior Award applications and information are available on the website. Please email or call the Extension Office if you need copies mailed to you or feel free to come in and get some. All 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade 4-H'ers are welcome to apply for the FREE Chicago trip! Graduated seniors-remember to apply for the Service Above Self award as well.

## **RECORD BOOKS AND AWARDS APPLICATIONS ARE DUE ON SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> AT 4:30 PM!**

# PREMIER EXHIBITOR

The Cerro Gordo 4-H Youth Development Committee created the Premier Exhibitor competition to encourage and reward outstanding 4-Hers. Points were awarded for projects entered at the fair, with each area being capped to encourage participation in multiple areas. Points were also earned for participating in other 4-H events, such as clean-up night and working in the FoodStand, at the fair. The top two exhibitors in each division received awards at the 4-H Award Show at the fair.

## Juniors:

1. **Kacy Sampson 70**
2. **Sydney Young 65**
3. Spencer Orr 61
4. Kaytlyn Smith 60
5. Dylana Luett 57  
Aunalea Timpe 57
7. Tyson Pillard 54
8. Karah Smith 54
9. Allison O'Connor 53
10. Madalynn Cash 48  
Mitchell Robeoltman 48

## Intermediates:

1. **Clayton Sampson 70**
2. **Ashley Chizek 66**
3. Colin Sido 55
4. Kaitlynn Cash 54  
Josi Fjone 54
6. Leah Bonnstetter 48
7. Cody Grant 47  
Courtney Young 47
9. Matthew Sturges 46
10. Kelly Hain 42  
Nikki Poley 42  
Kara Wenzel 42

## Seniors:

1. **Danielle Butler 60**
2. **Courtney Sherwood 53**
3. Emily Fjone 48
4. Eric Quade 45
5. Morgan Lawson 44
6. Amanda Jergenson 42  
Jason O'Connor 42  
Maci Robeoltman 42
9. Keeley Heck 41
10. McKenzie Hanna-Marken 37

**THANK YOU MBT BANK FOR SPONSORING THIS GREAT AWARD!**

# 2009 FAIR PHOTOS



At Little Olympics, Sheree Sturges was presented with the Cerro Gordo County nomination for the 4-H Hall of Fame



Many 4-Hers showed livestock, participating in several classes including costumes

The North Iowa Fair Queen is in 4-H and showed building exhibits and livestock throughout the week!



Thank you to Dave Luett and all other 4-Hers and volunteers for doing a great job during clean-up night!

