



OCTOBER 2011 4-H SCENE



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Woodbury County Farm Bureau and the Woodbury County Extension Council will each contribute \$5 towards the enrollment fee, so that 4-H members in Woodbury County will only need to pay a \$20 enrollment fee. All 4-H'ers enrolled in 4-H last year will need to enter online on or before December 15 (after that date the fee will be \$30). Youth new to 4-H will need to enroll by May 15; their fee will be kept at \$20. Thank you Woodbury County Farm Bureau and the Woodbury County Extension Council!

Enrolling in 4-H Online - <https://iowa.4honline.com>

Last year 4-H families did a good job of enrolling on-line. **Before families can enroll on-line this year, each 4-H family will receive a letter in the mail with the family e-mail listed.** Once you get the letter make sure that the email is the one you are using, if not contact the Extension office. Once you start enrolling – you already have a profile – **DO NOT CREATE ANOTHER PROFILE!** Then check to make sure your name, school and other information is correct and spelled correctly. There is some new information listed and one of them is if you want to receive text messages – if you don't, don't fill out. Don't forget to check the Code of Ethics. New to online this year is the medical form. For your convenience, you can fill it out online. 4-H Volunteers who were in last year can also enroll in 4-H On-Line. If you weren't, you will need to contact the Extension office for the correct paperwork. New 4-H volunteers need to go through child protection screening.

Youth that are new to 4-H will received paper forms (enrollment forms, medical forms and code of conduct) from your 4-H leader. This is a change from last year. Our office will enter the data for first time 4-H members and first time 4-H volunteers. 4-H families who do have an active email or internet can still fill out the "paper" forms (enrollment, medical and code of ethics). You will still need to turn those in by December 15 for the \$20 enrollment fee. After that date the fee will be \$30 for members who were in 4-H last year.

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Children's Book Writing Contest

Are you interested in writing a children's book and getting it published?

The American Royal and BOTAR want to help you! Our children's Book Writing contest is encourages writing and literacy among the youth of the Greater Kansas City. Student divisions will be K-5, 6-9, and 9-12 grades. The winner of this contest will be the featured Author for our 2012 Reading Round Up Program book as well as having their book sent for publishing.

Contest Entry Guidelines & Specifications:

1. Age level: 3rd grade.
2. Story has at least 3 characters with dialogue; can be animals or people.
3. Story has a beginning, middle and end with a problem/solution.
4. Topic for story: Must center around how aspects of

everyday life are impacted by agriculture.

5. Story should have illustrations on each page. For content purposes, Illustrations will be apart of each page. Illustrations can be done by the writer or another participant to be determined. Story and illustrations will be selected separately.
6. Story must have a cover and title page
7. This is a short story; therefore it may not exceed 1000 words.

Stories should be submitted to the American Royal no later than **November 15, 2011** to:

Emily Haugh emilyh@americanroyal.com;

1701 American Royal Court; Kansas City, MO 64102.

4-H Market Beef Weigh-in January 7, 2012

Market steers and market heifers that are exhibited at county fair, state fair, Ak-Sar-Ben, Clay County Fair or other area 4-H events must be weighed and identified.

If you are purchasing animals, be sure to ask the producer to fill out a COOL affidavit for your records!

When: Saturday, January 7, 2011

(snow date set for Saturday January 14)

Time: 8:30 a.m. – Noon

Where: Kingsley Livestock Pavilion

(The former Bleil and Chapman Auction Barn)

Located north of Merville on D-12

Cost: County Only - \$1.50

County/State - \$5.00

County, State & Ak-Sar-Ben - \$6.00

4-H'ers/FFA members in the same family must decide before the animals are weighed, which animal each youth plans to exhibit. After the animal is weighed, no switching is allowed. 4-H'ers may weigh six market animals. Animals must be identified as 4-H or FFA, but cannot be identified as both 4-H/FFA.

Identification forms (ID Forms) will be available to fill out at the weigh-in. The ID Form may be filled out during weigh-in.

Please Note: 4-H members who plan to exhibit market beef at the Iowa State Fair will need to be enrolled in 4-H by December 15. This will make sure that your enrollment data is in 4-H Online before the Beef Weigh-in. Our office will enter the data from the Market Beef ID forms in 4-H Online soon after the January 7 weigh-in. 4-H'ers members will then have until January 15 to verify the beef animals they identified for State Fair in 4-H Online at <https://iowa.4honline.com>

MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING



WOODBURY COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Celebrating 4-H Leaders Meeting



The Fall 2011 4-H leaders meeting will be held on, Monday, October 10, 2011. Join us as we celebrate the Woodbury County 4-H program. We will celebrate our past successes and plan for future growth. Results from a survey of Woodbury County 4-H'ers will be shared. Bring your ideas and suggestions on

recruiting and retaining members and any questions that you may have.

Join us on October 10 as we celebrate Woodbury County 4-H.

To register, please email Lujean at: faber@iastate.edu or call (712) 276-2157, ext 12.

NATIONAL 4-H NEWS

National 4-H Week: October 2-8, 2011



National 4-H Week was October 2-8! In Woodbury County we will celebrate 4-H all year long. Our goal for 4-H membership is 445 + 2! Show your support of 4-H and let everyone know how much you enjoy 4-H.

Here are a few things you can do to get yourself and others, all year long to celebrate 4-H!

1. Share your 4-H story and the impact it has had.

2. Wear a 4-H T-shirt or 4-H green.
3. Color Facebook and Twitter GREEN! with your profile photo changed to a 4-H clover.
4. Give back to your community with a 4-H service project.
5. Attend Make a Difference Day at the Iowa 4-H Center on October 8 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
6. Attend the 4-H Halloween Party on October 23 and bring a friend.

WOODBURY COUNTY 4-H NEWS

4-H Office Remodel Contest



We are going to be decorating the 4-H office at the fairgrounds. We need your help! We would love to cover the walls with 4-H and fair pictures from past Woodbury County Fairs.

If you feel you have an amazing image that you would like to be hung on the walls.

Please submit them to Laura Johnson by emailing them to: laurajoh@iastate.edu

Images must be e-mailed to Laura by Thursday, December 15 to be entered in the contest. We will pick the top 15 images to be printed and framed!

Good luck!

OUR VISION

A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSITIVE CHANGE



Citizenship Washington DC Trip (CWF) 2012

NEW: This is a state wide opportunity for 4-H members in grades 10, 11 and 12. Approximately 150 Iowa 4 H Youth will have the opportunity to attend this leadership program at the National 4-H Center. Participants learn the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders. The week consists of participatory workshops, speakers, committee work, field trips and social events.

Starting on October 1, 4-H members may begin the process of registering for the trip. This means that you will need to enter your enrolment in 4-H Online first before you can register for the trip. 4hOnline is at the following website: <https://iowa.4honline.com/>. You will then need to turn in your \$20 enrollment fee before you will be able to sign up for the trip. The cost of the trip is \$1370 with the first deposit of \$350 due December 15 to the Dallas County Extension office. Woodbury County will offer a sponsorship for the trip, that amount will be given to the participants just before the trip to be used as spending money.

Dates: Youth can choose to sign up for any of the trips.

June 8 – 16, 2012

- o Bus 2A – travels West to East along US Hwy 18 to pick up participants
- o Bus 2B – travels West to East along US Hwy 20 to pick up participants (will start in Sioux City)

June 15 – 23, 2012

- o Bus 3A – Travels West to East along US Hwy 34 to pick up participants.
- o An additional bus may be added during the week of June 15-23, if there is enough interest.

Costs:

Registration fee for the 2012 CWF trip is \$1,370.

Deposit of \$350 is due at time of registration.

Remaining payments of \$510 are due February 15 and April 15.

Some counties offer partial local sponsorships.

Registration is open Oct. 1. **Registration & first payment is due Dec. 15.**

Registration information is posted at:

www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/cwf

Chaperone information for CWF: Each trip will need about 5 chaperones. Cost is \$685. To find out more and to express your interest please contact Jeff Macomber at: jmacombe@iastate.edu or call him at (515) 993-4281.

2011 District Consumer Judging Results

Making decisions about what to purchase is an everyday activity that Northwest Iowa 4-H'ers explored in a district "Consumer Judging" contest at the 2011 Clay County Fair. Some 70 4-H'ers representing eight Northwest counties tested their consumer management skills Saturday, September 17, 2011, weighing factors such as nutritional values, product services, price, quality and need. They were challenged with six different consumer buying stations from calculating unit prices to making safe on-line purchases to lighting choices for home energy conservation.

4-H'ers studied class fact sheets and then had to decide the importance of selected factors when ranking four products or four methods at each judging station.

Woodbury County received several top awards:

Junior Division: Kelsey Jones received first place as junior individual

Junior Division Team Placing: Woodbury Team received a Silver award for 2nd place

Intermediate/Senior Division: Natalie Lord was 3rd place, Trina Swanson was the 7th place winners

Intermediate/Senior Division Team Placing: Woodbury County Team received the Gold award for first place.

4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE,
AND MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.



Opportunities

Festival of Trees

Each year several 4-H Clubs have decorated and entered trees for the Festival of Trees. This event is sponsored by the Sioux City Jaycees. The trees will be displayed from November 21-December 1 and will be auctioned on December 1.

Proceeds will go to S.T.A.R.S. If your club would like to participate in this event please contact Dr. Tom Molstad at his office (712) 276-7742 or Cheryl Nordstrom at her home (712) 266-8748 by November 7.

PIONEER GRANT INFO ON THE WEB

Pioneer Hi-Bred International is offering Pioneer Community Improvement Grants through the Iowa 4-H Foundation again this year. Clubs are encouraged to apply for "seed money" to help them get started on community projects.

Applications for grants are due in the county office on December 1, 2011. The brochure, information, and application are on the web at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/PioneerGrants.html>

The website also lists other grant opportunities. Last year Arlington Future Farmers received a grant for their continued improvements to the town of Merville.

4-H'ers attending Ak-Sar-Ben

Alex Pulford attended Ak-Sar-Ben in September. Her name was omitted in the September newsletter.

PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards honor young people in middle level and high school grades for outstanding volunteer service to their communities. Created in 1995 by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), the awards constitute the United States' largest youth recognition program based solely on volunteering.

Iowa 4-H has been well represented in this program, and each year several state award winners are Iowa 4-H members. Information and applications are available at www.prudential.com/spirit or by calling 1-877-525-8491.

Eligible 4-H'ers must complete their application forms by October 31, 2011.

4-H Lock-in for Region 5

The 4-H County Council is again planning a 4-H Lock-in. Dates that they are looking at are Friday, November 18 and ending Saturday a.m., November 19. The lock-in is for 4-H'ers in grades 9-12 from Monona, Plymouth and Woodbury counties.

Activities will be going from 7:00 p.m. check-in on November 18 to breakfast the next day. The Lock-in will end at 8:00 a.m. on November 19. Cost for the lock-in is approx. \$10. Event is limited to the first 70.

Registrations will be due in early November. Information will be available at the Woodbury County Extension website at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/kidsteens.htm>

If you would like information, please contact Lujean at faber@iastate.edu or call (712) 276-2157.

4-H and Fair Committee

The 4-H and Fair committee will meet on Thursday, October 13, 7:00 p.m. at the Woodbury County Fair office at the fairgrounds in Merville, IA.

Agenda will include evaluation of the 2011 fair, select personnel committee to help in the selection of 4-H Fair Superintendents, suggest names for 2011 4-H Hall of Fame, 4-H Pie Sale (CWF sponsorship), and update on programs.

UNI Museums' Annual Photography Contest And Exhibition

University of Northern Iowa Museums are now accepting entries into their annual photography contest and exhibition, "Our World in Focus," on display in the museum December 19, 2011 through January 21, 2012.

This year's theme is "Iowa's Cultural Heritage." Amateur photographers of all ages are invited to submit 8x10" photographs featuring images that celebrate Iowa's unique culture, traditions and heritage. Subject matter should consist of traditional and/or cultural costumes, customs, foods, architecture and community events.

Deadline for contest entries is Tuesday, October 25. For complete rules and entry form please see: http://www.uni.edu/museum/calendar/photo_contest/index.html.

Please note that photos and entry forms may also be e-mailed to:

uni.museums@uni.edu which saves entrants some time and money.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call (319) 273-2188 and ask for Jori.

4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH



Calendar

OCTOBER

- October 2-8** National 4-H Week
- Monday, October 4** 4-H Holiday, Sergeant Bluff United Methodist Church, First and Baker Streets, Sergeant Bluff, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Sunday, October 9** 4-H County Council Meeting, Woodbury County Extension, 4301 Sergeant Road #213, 5:00 p.m.
- Monday, October 10** Celebration of 4-H, 4-H Leaders Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Merville Methodist Church in Merville, Iowa
- Monday, October 10** Woodbury County Extension Council Meeting, Woodbury County Fair grounds, 4-H office, Merville, 5:15 p.m.
- Thursday, October 13** 4-H & Fair Committee, at the Woodbury County Fair office, Merville, 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 19** 4-H Recognition Team, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Woodbury County Extension office
- Thursday, October 20** Registrations and \$3 fee due for 4-H Halloween Party
- Sunday, October 23** 4-H Halloween Party, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds in Merville. **Registration and \$3 fee due October 20**

NOVEMBER

- Monday, November 14** Woodbury County Extension Council Meeting, Woodbury County Extension office, 4301 Sergeant Road, 5:30 p.m.
- November 18-19** Region 5 Lock-in for 4-Hers in grades 9-12

DECEMBER-FUTURE DATES

- Thursday, December 15** 4-H'ers who were in 4-H last year will need to enroll in 4-H Online at <https://iowa.4honline.com> and turn in their \$20 enrollment fee, after December 15 the enrollment fees goes up to \$30. Youth new to 4-H may enroll until May 15 and their fee is still \$20.
- Saturday, January 7** Market Beef Weigh-in at the Kingsley Livestock Pavilion from 8:30 a.m.– Noon (Snow date Jan. 14)
- March 10, 2012** New 4-H Leader Training in Sioux City
- July 30, 2012** 4-H Building Judging Day
- July 31, 2012** 4-H Fair Livestock Entry
- August 1-5, 2012** Woodbury County Fair

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

FIND US AT: EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/4H/WOODBURY