

## Ak-Sar-Ben Results

Congratulations to all of our 4-H'ers who exhibited at the 4-H Ak-Sar-Ben Livestock Expo in September! Here are the results:

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Lamb Challenge: Derek Head - Reserve Champion Live Lamb Challenge, Devin Head - Purple (Live and Carcass)

Lamb Challenge Showmanship: Devin Head - Blue

Market Lamb: Derek Head - 1 Purple and 2 Blues (Live) and 1 Blue and 2 Reds (Carcass); Chelsea Head - 2 Blues (Live) and 1 Red and 1 White (Carcass)

Market Swine: Aaron Cain - Champion Division II Market Swine, 1 Purple and 1 Blue (Live) and 2 Blues and 1 White (Carcass)

Market Swine Showmanship: Aaron Cain - Purple

Market Beef: James Evans - Blue (Live) and Purple (Carcass); Devin Head - Blue; Chelsea Head - Blue

Breeding Beef: Austin Hamilton - Blue, Derek Head - Blue, Kelsey Seuferer - Purple

Herdsmanship: Beef - Blue, Sheep - Blue

Participating in the interview process and receiving a calf to care for, keep records on and show at next year's show in the Catch-A-Calf competition were Chelsea Head and Derek Head.

## Enrollment Forms Due December 1st



Enrollment forms are due in the Extension Office December 1st. Club leaders have these available for you at your club meeting. There are several forms included, so make sure to complete everything: designate if re-enrolling in a project, literature requests, check birthday, school, phone number, email

address, etc. Have your parents look these over with you. Make sure you both sign the last page: 4-H'ers sign the Behavior Statement and parent must complete and sign the back of that page.

**Enrollments forms will not be accepted without signatures.**

These forms are impor-

tant to us! They help us keep track of who is in 4-H and what club you are in, project areas of interest, and keeps you on the mailing list for the 4-H newsletter!

If you do not turn in an enrollment form, you may miss out on important project information throughout the year.

*Congratulations to Blaine & Aimee Greiner for turning in the first record books!*

## Awards Program

Record books were due October 23rd and the tally is:

- 35 Record Books
- 4 Historian Books
- 3 Treasurer Books
- 4 Secretary Books

Congratulations to those members turning in a book!

They are eligible to receive

more awards in project areas, including beef, horse, clothing, food and nutrition, visual arts, citizenship and so much more!

The 4-H Awards Program is set for Sunday, November 22, 2009. It will start at 2:00 PM and will be held at Pin Oak Lodge south of Chariton on Highway 34. Punch and cookies will be provided.

Everyone is invited to attend.

\*Congratulations to Nor-Luco and Country Clovers 4-H Clubs for turning in all 3 officer books!

\*Congratulations to the Nor-Luco 4-H club for being the club with the most books turned in!

## Holiday Events

### Holiday Cards

Are you or your club looking for a fun community service project? Get creative and make holiday cards (with envelopes) for the Iowa 4-H Foundation to use. They

send these cards to 4-H supporters. Deadline for submitting holiday cards to the Extension Office for delivery to the Iowa 4-H Foundation is November 21st. Cards are to be 1/4 of an 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper, blank envelope included and the county and/or club name on the back.

### Lighted Parade

Youth Council will be participating in the Lighted Parade on Friday, November 27th. Call the Extension Office if you would like to be in the parade with them. 4-H members and Clover Sprouts are welcome to participate.





## 4-H Development Fee

As the 4-H year continues to get under way, many of you will be hearing your leaders talk about the 4-H Development Fee (member fee).

This fee was implemented six years ago, and due to the many budget cuts going on, the fee has increased this year to \$30 per member. Lucas County 4-H members will be responsible for \$15 of that fee since the 4-H & Youth Committee voted to pay half of the fee

from the 4-H Fund (from when you worked in the Food Stand during the county fair). Many of the clubs vote on using club funds to pay the other half for their members, and some clubs will collect the \$15 from each member. If families need assistance covering the \$15, two 4-H scholarship opportunities are available:

1. The Iowa 4-H Foundation will pay the fee for families that complete a simple form. The form is avail-

able through the Extension Office, must be signed by a parent/guardian and submitted by our staff.

2. Operation Military Kids will pay the fee for families serving in any branch of the military (active, guard, or reserve) (including siblings). They do not have to be deployed to receive this. Call the Extension Office stating

name and age of 4-H member and name and email address (if available) of the parents. Staff will submit the request.

### WHAT DOES THE FEE COVER?

The fee which is sent to ISU, covers state support in the form of programs, state staff support, trainings and providing 4-H resources to keep 4-H alive.

## CWF: Citizenship Washington Focus

### A Trip You Don't Want to Miss!

4-H'ers from Southeast Iowa in 10 - 12 grade have an awesome opportunity to go to Washington, D.C. in 2010. You will stay at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, MD, visit Gettysburg, Mount Vernon, the war

and presidential memorials, and the Smithsonian Museums. You will spend an evening at the Kennedy Center and tour the Holocaust Museum. There will be an opportunity to visit the nation's capitol, and meet the people who rep-

resent Iowa.

Cost of this exciting trip is \$770 for Lucas County 4-H'ers. Lucas County can send two delegates and send in names for alternates as space becomes available on the bus.

*Applications (available from the Extension Office) and a \$100.00 deposit are due November 23, 2009.*

## Beef Weigh-in To Be December 29th

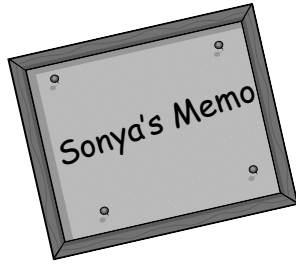
All market beef (steers and heifers) must be identified during weigh-in on Tuesday, December 29, 2009. Weigh-in will be held 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM at the Russell Livestock Market.

Call the Extension Office if you plan on nominating animals for Iowa State Fair and/or Ak-Sar-Ben. Those animals being nominated MUST have a tattoo if they will be exhibited in a specific breed division.

There will be a charge per head to nominate for out of county shows to cover the costs of the retinal imaging and nominating process: \$5/head for Iowa State Fair, \$5/head for Ak-Sar-Ben, and \$10/head if

nominating for both shows.





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As a reminder, don't forget to let the office know how you want to receive your newsletter (through the mail or email) - thank you to those who have done this!

There are still a lot of premium checks in the Extension Office. Checks need to be picked up AND cashed soon as the 90 day deadline is fast approaching. December 15 will be the last day premium checks will be valid to be cashed.

As I was talking to some of you during record book judging, I was amazed at how many ideas for projects and activities were being planned for this year! I want to challenge all of you to get a head start and start one project this winter. Challenge yourself after completing the project by finishing your goal write-up AND the record book project form. I would love to hear from anyone who completes this challenge.

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## Dates to Remember

### NOVEMBER

- 2: Record Book Judging
- 19: Clover Sprouts
- 22: Awards Program
- 23: CWF Applications Due
- 26: Thanksgiving
- 26 & 27: Office Closed
- 27: Lighted Parade

### DECEMBER

- 1: Enrollment Forms Due
- 24 & 25: Office Closed
- 25: Merry Christmas
- 29: Beef Weigh-in

