



# 4-H SCENE



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## From the desk of Lujean Faber...

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You will notice a new look to the 4-H Scene. The good news is that it still has information to help you prepare for the new 4-H year! Also included are a few fun activities to meet some new 4-H friends.

Another change is 4-H enrollment. Woodbury County will be one of the pilot counties that will help the State 4-H office design how 4-H'ers and leaders will be able to enter your information on-line. Later this fall your 4-H leader will be receiving information.

Some other changes will be 4-H project information. Each 4-H club is asked to bring a team of youth and adults to one of the leaders trainings to be held in November to learn about these changes. You will be able to receive project information at your fingertips!

Future changes to watch for: 4-H fair classes for the county fair and state/county 4-H project awards!

It is important that you take time to read through the newsletter. You never know when you might discover something new. Have a happy National 4-H Week!

*Lujean Faber*



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#### LOCAL 4-H NEWS

## Woodbury County 4-H & Bobier Studio Fundraiser

Woodbury County 4-H teamed up with Bobier Studio for a photography fundraiser. We are happy to announce that \$500.00 was donated back to 4-H from the overall sales made during the 2010 Woodbury County Fair.

Thank you to Bobier Studio staff and Andrea Zenor for the time they put into this fundraiser and the generous donation to Woodbury County 4-H.

Bobier Studio and Woodbury County Extension are busy working on plans for next year's photography fundraiser.

Thank you to all the 4-H families who supported Woodbury County 4-H during the fair by purchasing pictures from Bobier Studio.

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#### STATE 4-H NEWS

## Community Service Learning Grants Available

Are you wanting to take your 4-H club's community service project to the next level? If so, look at getting involved with *Reach Out Iowa*. Turn your ideas into action through the *Reach Out Iowa* service-learning program. Do something to benefit your community while learning the skills you can apply to real life.

Apply your interests, knowledge and skills in new ways: serve at a local food pantry while studying the roots of poverty, study the consequences of natural disaster and then determine how to help families in need, just to name a few ideas. Learn about what other youth are doing at [www.dosomething.org](http://www.dosomething.org) or

<http://iowa4hservicelearning.ning.com> and be inspired to do something to benefit your community!

Woodbury County is hosting an orientation in on Monday, Oct. 18 at 2:30 p.m. at the Midtown Family Community Center, Sioux City. All youth and leaders interested in joining us for a large youth service learning project in April this will be a great meeting to attend. Not able to attend? Contact Cheryl at (712) 444-1801 to arrange an alternative time. We want to help you turn your ideas into action!

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#### NATIONAL 4-H NEWS

## 4-H Awarded \$5 Million to Expand Mentoring Program

The Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) has awarded a \$5 million grant to National 4-H Council in support of the 4-H National Mentoring program. The grant comes as a part of the OJJDP's national effort to strengthen, expand and implement youth mentoring activities nationwide to improve the lives of millions of young Americans.

4-H is one of four youth national organizations to receive a grant from OJJDP in their broad effort. The grant will provide funding to facilitate two 4-H mentoring programs in every state, with each

program taking place in an area that has an increased risk for youth delinquency.

4-H mentoring programs have already proven valuable for many youth, and have achieved national recognition. Ryan Brott, a member of Michigan's Journey 4-H Youth mentoring program, was honored by President Barack Obama at the White House in January for his achievements through 4-H mentoring. Brott and his mentor, Andrew Knight, represented 4-H during the Washington, DC event celebrating National Mentoring Month.

## MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING



#### LOCAL 4-H NEWS

## Find us on Facebook



Search for "Woodbury County 4-H" and become our Facebook friend!

By being a friend of Woodbury County 4-H you will receive status updates, notices about upcoming deadlines, and information on fun opportunities and events that Woodbury County 4-H hosts!

The 4-H Scene, 4-H forms and other documents are posted on Woodbury County 4-H Facebook.

#### WOODBURY COUNTY 4-H NEWS

## Enrollment Information: New for 2010-2011



Woodbury County will be one of the pilot counties for 4-H members and volunteers to enroll in 4-H online. This will allow 4-H leaders to have an update of members in their clubs and having member information on hand.

Training for Extension staff was held at the end of September. As we receive information, we will pass it on to your 4-H leader.

Training for leaders will be at Woodbury Central in Merville on Monday, Oct. 25 at 7 p.m. Be sure to attend your club meetings to keep up with all the new information.

Please keep in mind that Woodbury is a pilot county so there may be glitches initially with the system.

#### FROM THE FOUNDATION...

## 4-H Foundation Fun Walk



It was a beautiful day for the first Woodbury County Foundation 4-H Fun Walk held Sunday, September 26. Thirty people attended to show their support for 4-H in Woodbury County. The Foundation Committee thanks everyone who came to walk and the sponsors for their support. Sponsors included Woodbury County Farm Bureau, Cloverleaf Cold Storage, American National Bank, Elmwood Care

Center, Graham's Screenprinting, Great Southern Bank, Jones Eye Clinic, Juncks Simmentals, and Sloan Golf Course. If you are interested in being a member of the Woodbury County Foundation Committee, please contact Program Coordinator Adrienne Jansen at (712) 276-2157 or [jansena@iastate.edu](mailto:jansena@iastate.edu). The next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 6 at 5:15 p.m. at Woodbury County Extension.

## OUR VISION

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



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## Celebrate National 4-H Week October 3-9

National 4-H Week is here! Here are a few ideas to help you share what 4-H is all about with your friends and family:

- ⇒ Invite a friend to the Regional 4-H Night at the Tyson Event Center with the Sioux City Musketeers.
- ⇒ Decorate a bulletin board at school or church.
- ⇒ Have a 4-H Find Out in your community; it's a good time to display your fair projects.

- ⇒ Write a "Thank You" note to your 4-H leader and others who helped you get ready for fair.
- ⇒ Plan a day that your club can share fair projects with others.
- ⇒ Hand out green and white jelly beans to classmates.
- ⇒ Plan a community service and wear a 4-H t-shirt.
- ⇒ Tell your friends about the fun you have in 4-H.

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## Fall Volunteer Training for Club Teams: Youth & Adults

Woodbury's 4-H Training is schedule for:

Thursday, November 4, 7:00 p.m. Movable United Methodist Church

Saturday, November 6, 9:30 a.m. (location to be determined)

Change is in the air and our fall 4-H volunteer training is no exception! The plan for the fall 2010 4-H volunteer training includes adult volunteers teaming up with youth leaders to learn about the new 4-H publication and project material delivery system. Each adult volunteer will be asked to bring at least one youth leader to the training with them.

There will be activities that can be used by club leaders and officers at club meetings to help members and families quickly and easily

access resources to learn about their projects.

4-H youth program specialists and student interns have been working throughout the spring and summer to create "hot sheets" for each project area. The hot sheets are one page documents containing project goals; communication, leadership, citizenship, and exhibit ideas for all ages of youth; record keeping resources and educational resources, including website links for additional information.

With the new system, 4-H members can download the hot sheets immediately from the Iowa 4-H website and begin exploring that project area of interest right away. Members without internet access can obtain the hot sheets from their county extension office or from their club leader.

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## 2010 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 2010 Clay County Fair. Some 50 4-H'ers representing eight Northwest counties tested their consumer management skills Saturday, September 18th, 2010, 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. The "4-H Consumer Judging" event is sponsored by ISU Extension 4-H Youth Program, and supported by a grant from the Northwest Iowa 4-H Banker's Fund and past contributions from Farm Credit Services of America, MetaBank, United Bank, and Citizens Credit Union.

Junior Division: Trina Swanson placed 7th with 266 points and Kelsey Jones placed 9th with 260 points.

Junior Division Team Placing: Woodbury County received the bronze medallion placing 3rd.

Intermediate/Senior Division: Skylar Sands placed 7th with 277 points and Bryce Butters placed 8th with 275 points.

Intermediate/Senior Division Team Placing: Woodbury County received the silver medallion placing 2nd.

4-H Consumer Judging provides youth a method of gaining consumer knowledge and skills through a contest format. The county and district consumer judging event gives those youth who participate a hands-on opportunity of demonstrating their consumer skills.

## 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

## MIDTOWN 4-H EVENT OCT. 10

Midtown Family Community Center at 14th and Nebraska, Sioux City, will host a 4-H event on Sunday, October 10 from 2:00—4:00 p.m. There will be various activities like 4-H Robot Races and Jr. Chef Cookie Decorating.

Volunteers are needed to assist in booths and talk to people about how 4-H programs benefit all youth. 4-H members and volunteers are desperately needed. Volunteers are needed at 1:30 for set up and take down at 4:30.

If you would like to volunteer, please email Cheryl Connot-Perez at [connotpe@iastate.edu](mailto:connotpe@iastate.edu) or call (712) 224-3363.

## 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](http://www.prudential.com/spirit) or by calling 1-877-525-8491.

Eligible 4-H'ers must complete their application forms by October 31, 2010.

## MARKET BEEF WEIGH-IN JAN 8, 2011

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! Saturday, January 8, 2011, (snow date set for Saturday, January 15 or January 22) from 8:30 a.m. – Noon at the Kingsley Livestock Pavilion located north of Merville on D-12. The cost for county only is \$1.50, county/state is \$5.00, county, state & Ak-Sar-Ben is \$6.00. 4-H'ers/FFA members in the same family must decide before 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.

## 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, 2010. 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.

## YOUTH BEEF TEAM MEETS OCT. 17

All youth 12-18 interested in joining the newly "re-launched" Iowa Cattlemen's Youth Beef Team should come to the training and organizational meeting on October 17 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Schramm Home south of Merville, Iowa.

This program is a great opportunity for you to practice your communication skills while promoting beef and earning points for prizes. Woodbury County Cattlemen sponsor the Woodbury County Fair Grill-Off, help with the Bucket Calf Competition. We will plan three tasting events across the county for 2011.

Please contact Gwyn Schramm at (712) 870-9819 if you are interested in joining.

## 4-H HALLOWEEN PARTY

All Junior 4-H'ers, grades 4-6, put on your costumes and join the 4-H County Council for lots of fun and festivities at the 4-H Halloween Party! The party is from 5:30-7:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 24, at the fairgrounds in Merville. The cost is \$3.00 to attend.

There will be a scary tour of the Haunted Stable and a Halloween costume contest. Lots of tricks and treats and pizza and pop. To register for the Halloween Party please contact Lujean Faber at the Woodbury County Extension office at (712) 276-2157 or email at [faber@iastate.edu](mailto:faber@iastate.edu) by Wednesday Oct. 20

**4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH**



# Calendar

## OCTOBER

- October 3-9** 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.
- Wednesday, October 6** 4-H Foundation Committee Meeting, Woodbury County Extension, 4301 Sergeant Road #213, 5:15 p.m.
- Thursday, October 7** 4-H & Fair Committee, at the Woodbury County Fair office, Merville, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, October 11** Woodbury County Council Meeting, Woodbury County Fairgrounds, 4-H office, Merville, 5:15 p.m.
- Sunday, October 24** 4-H Halloween Party, at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds in Merville. 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. **Registration and \$3 fee due October 20**
- Wednesday, October 27** 4-H Recognition Team, at the Woodbury County Extension, 4301 Sergeant Road, Sioux City, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

## NOVEMBER

- Thursday, November 4** Volunteer Training for club teams of youth and adults, United Methodist Church, Merville, 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, November 6** Volunteer Training for club teams of youth and adults, Sioux City/Sgt. Bluff area (pending), 9:30 a.m.
- Saturday, November 6** Regional 4-H Night at the Tyson Event Center with the Sioux City Musketeers, 7:00 p.m. (Registration enclosed)
- Monday, November 8** Woodbury County Council Meeting, Woodbury County Extension office, 4301 Sergeant Road, 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 16** Ply-Wood Shooting Sports quarterly meeting, Plymouth County Extension office, Le Mars, 7:00 p.m.

## DECEMBER-JANUARY

- Saturday, January 8** Market Beef Weigh-in at the Kingsley Livestock Pavilion from 8:30 a.m.– Noon
- Monday, January 10** Woodbury County Council Meeting, Woodbury County Extension office, 4301 Sergeant Road, 5:30 p.m.

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