



# JANUARY 2011 4-H SCENE



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## From the desk of Lujean Faber...

Giving recognition to 4-H members is important. Members receive recognition in a variety of ways, club meetings, 4-H events, county fair and through their project work. Applying for 4-H project awards is a wonderful opportunity to tell others about your accomplishments.

The 4-H Recognition Team is working on ways to help the 4-H'er, parents and leaders understand the award process. Enclosed in this issue of the *4-H Scene* is the "Woodbury County Project Award Guidelines" – this form was revised last year. It tells the 4-H'er what is required to receive a green, blue or purple award for 4-H'ers in 4 – 8 grades; and bronze, silver, or gold award for 4-H'ers in 9 – 12 grades.

There have been some changes in the guidelines for 4-H'ers who are in 9-12 grades. 4-H award information is available on web at:  
<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/kidsteens.htm>

Now is the time to start setting your goals towards 4-H project awards. Award applications/stories are due March 1. Your 4-H leader will need time before that March 1 due date to look over your award application(s). The 4-H Recognition Event will be held on June 11 at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds in the Varied Industry Building.

If you or your club members need help, a member of the 4-H Recognition Team will come to your club meeting or a special meeting. They will be happy to talk about the awards process and help 4-H members. Because so many 4-H'ers do outstanding project work, we would like to have many more 4-H'ers apply for project award recognition. Please contact Lujean Faber at Woodbury County Extension or email her at [faber@iastate.edu](mailto:faber@iastate.edu) to schedule a member from the team to visit your club.

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## FOUNDATION NEWS

# Iowa 4-H foundation needs special occasion cards

Thanks to all the clubs who've sent holiday & special occasion cards over the years for us to share with 4-H donors! We still have an amazing number from years past to share this year, so no more holiday cards, please.

What we'd really like now are handcrafted birthday, anniversary, and special thank you cards to send along to supporters and friends. Also it's nice to have your 4-H'ers sign their cards (on the back) with their club name and community or county.

To help us keep postage down, please make card/envelopes no larger than 4.5' x 6.25".

Please send cards/envelopes to:

Iowa 4-H Foundation  
Extension 4-H Youth Building-ISU  
Ames IA 50011-3630.

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## STATE 4-H NEWS

# 4-H Recognition for State and County Awards

Recognition on the State level has changed when applications are due and when interviews will be held. 4-H'ers will send their applications for State Project Awards, National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, Iowa Tech Team and State Council directly to the State 4-H Office.

There is no longer an area level. Applications will be due February 1 to the State 4-H Office. Interviews will be held on March 26 in Ames. If 4-H'ers are unable to attend the March 26 interviews in Ames, you will still be able to participate.

Information is available at the state 4-H website located at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/teens/awards.htm> or look for information in the *4-H Scene*.

4-H County Award applications will still be done the same. This includes a 1 to 5 page application on a project area (or a 10 minute audio or video).

Your 4-H leader will need to look over your application before the due date. County 4-H applications will be due March 1 to the Woodbury County Extension office. Be looking for the 4-H Project Guidelines in the next *4-H Scene*.

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## URBAN 4-H NEWS

# Positive changes for the urban 4-H program

Midtown Family Community Center's Urban 4-H program is growing strong. There are currently over 100 youth enrolled in the urban program.

Beginning January 17 there will be a new schedule for the youth at this site. Kindergarten-4 grade youth will attend youth nights on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. and 5-12 grade youth will attend youth nights on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

The change in schedule will allow the youth to have more support in developing their leadership, teambuilding, and communication skills in a smaller group.

The urban 4-H program is in need of volunteers to assist with youth nights. If you are a caring adult or a college student looking for ways to work with youth, give us a call at (712) 224-3363 and ask for Tori or Audrey.

## MISSION STATEMENT

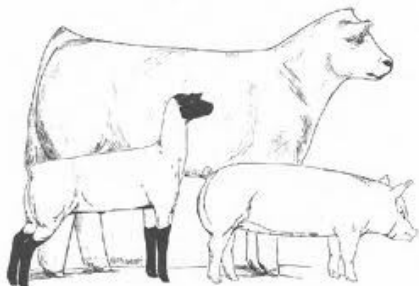
4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING



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WOODBURY COUNTY 4-H NEWS

## 4-H Superintendents meetings set



We are already gearing up for Woodbury County Fair which will be held on August 3-7. The 4-H Building Judging will be held on Monday, August 1 and animal check-in will be held on Tuesday, August 2. 4-H fair superintendents will be meeting in January and February to

look over fair classes. There will be several new changes in the 4-H building classes this year. The 4-H & Fair Committee will approve all changes at their March meeting (date has not been set). Look for those changes in the upcoming *4-H Scene*.

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WOODBURY COUNTY 4-H NEWS

## 4-H Recognition Team



The 4-H Recognition Team will meet on Wednesday, January 12, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Woodbury County Extension.

Agenda: continue to work on the 4-H Recognition Event that will be held on June 11, caterer for the

event, new state 4-H Recognition event and process and update on programs.

We encourage each club have a representative on the 4-H Recognition Team.

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## 4-H and Fair Committee



The 4-H and Fair Committee will meet on January 13, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at LuWe's Restaurant near Lawton.

Agenda will include: approve 2011 4-H Fair Superintendents, Hall of Fame, and update on programs. Anyone interested in becoming a member may contact Woodbury County Extension.

The 4-H and Fair committee is responsible for and sets 4-H fair rules and guidelines for county fair.

Adults and youth are encouraged to become a member. The 4-H & Fair committee meets about four times a year.

## OUR VISION

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

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# 4-H Online—Entering 4-H enrollment and market beef



## Important information if you want to exhibit at the state fair and/or county fair

4-H leaders have been sending the extension office the updated emails from their members. If you haven't been to a club meeting make sure you give your leader a call and let them know your email. It must be a family email – and not one for every individual 4-H'er in the same family. Existing 4-H'ers cannot enroll until their email is given to the extension office. New families can enroll at anytime – they are not already in our online database.

### **Needed (Please read through carefully):**

Your most current family email – your leader must have your most current email address prior to gaining access to the online service. The extension office needs your email before you can enter online.

After the extension office has entered your email address – we will let your leader know that emails have been entered. Your leader will then tell you it's ok to enter online. If you are new to 4-H (not having any brothers or sisters already in 4-H) you can go online without giving your leader your email. It is also important that your 4-H leader has your email so that they can email you information about 4-H and upcoming club events.

### **Instructions for entering 4-H online:**

- Go to <https://iowa.4honline.com> (you might want to bookmark this page)
- Enter family email address (this would be the family email that you gave to your leader) and then select: "I forgot my password." 4-H'ers who have been in 4-H will select "I have a profile." Youth new to 4-H and don't have brothers or sisters in 4-H will select "I need to set-up a profile." 4-H'ers who didn't have internet access at home and now do – you will want to also select "I need to set-up a profile."
- Click the "edit" box next to the 4-H member you are re-enrolling.
- Check your email—you will have a password emailed to you. Use that password on the login screen at <https://iowa.4honline.com> (You will have to choose a new password)
- Follow the steps to update all information as it is presented to you on the following screens, selecting "continue" until the

process is complete. Some 4-H'ers don't know for sure if they have entered successfully – all you have to do is contact your 4-H leader, they can see all the enrollments from your club from their 4-H online account.

- When you are finished with all steps, select "Submit Enrollment."

### **Your enrollment will now sit in pending status until the following are turned in:**

You must then turn in your Medical/Release form (make a copy of the form when you have entered your data) and \$30 fee to your leader. Your leader will then give the forms to the extension office. Your enrollment will not be approved until the medical form and fee is at the extension office.

**It is important those forms and fee get turned in to your leader. Once the medical/release form and fee is received in the extension office, your enrollment status will change from pending to active. You should receive an e-mail informing you of the change.**

### **4-H'ers who are taking market beef**

YOU MUST ENROLL in 4-H online by Saturday, Jan. 8 or shortly after the market beef weigh-in. You will still fill out the "paper" Market Beef ID forms at the weigh-in. Then our office will enter the data. An email will be sent to you to confirm the information – it is important that you reply and confirm that the information sent on your market beef animals is correct on or before Tuesday, Feb. 1 (after Tuesday, Feb. 1 you may be ineligible to exhibit your animal). 4-H'ers who don't have internet access at home could open up an email account with Yahoo or Google, but you must look for messages frequently. Or if you don't have internet at home, we will use your paper identification form.

**An important note:** market sheep and market goats will all be entered in 4-H online the same way. 4-H'ers who will be exhibiting other animals will enter their own data online. Additional information will be available in a few months on how 4-H'ers will be able to identify their animals in 4-H online.

## 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.



# Happenings, Updates & Opportunities

## LIVESTOCK/SMALL ANIMAL MTGS.

Large Animal Superintendents (Beef, Horse, Sheep, Swine, Herdsmanship, Overall Showmanship and Dairy) Wednesday, Jan. 19 at 7:00 p.m. Woodbury County Extension Suite #209.

Small Animal Superintendents (Goat, Rabbit, Poultry, Dog, and Small Pet) Wednesday, Feb. 2 at 7:00 p.m. Woodbury County Extension Suite #209.

Overall Livestock superintendents Lane Tabke and Dennis Rumohr will be at the meetings or contact Laura Johnson at (712) 276-2157 ext. 21 or for a quicker response email her at [laurajoh@iastate.edu](mailto:laurajoh@iastate.edu).

## 4-H'ERS MAKING THE BEST BETTER

The Arlington Future Farmers 4-H Club has applied for a Community Improvement Grant through Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

The club members will be re-planting the pots on Main Street in Merville, Iowa. The chairs of this project are Abby Countryman and Kurt Countryman. The leader is Carolyn Rippke. It's a very worthwhile project and we all hope you receive the grant!

## 4-H BUILDING SUPERINTENDENTS

The 4-H Building superintendents will meet on Thursday, Feb. 17, 7:00 p.m. Woodbury County Extension.

It is important that 4-H Building superintendents attend this meeting as there will be lots of new 4-H Fair class information. If you are unable to meet on that date, you will need to set up a meeting with Lujean Faber and Jen Coover. You can schedule with Lujean at [faber@iastate.edu](mailto:faber@iastate.edu) or call (712) 276-2157 ext. 12.

## 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Are you an Iowa 4-H'er planning to attend college? Consider applying for an Iowa 4-H Scholarship. We know it's not easy to finance a college education and know that many Iowa 4-H'ers can use help achieving their educational goals.

The 4-H scholarship program offers scholarships totaling over \$100,000 in financial aid for Iowa youth. Scholarships range in value from \$500 to \$5000. There are even scholarships for current college students and students in the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Iowa 4-H members are eligible to apply for 4-H scholarships if they meet individual scholarship

requirements. Check eligibility guidelines carefully as many scholarships have specific eligibility requirements. (Ex. designated college and/or major program of study, county of residence, event participation.)

Applicants must enroll as a full-time student (minimum of 12 credit hours) to receive scholarship awards. Only ONE application form is needed for all Iowa 4-H scholarships.

Eligible Iowa 4-H youth may apply for more than one scholarship, however, only one scholarship per individual will be awarded per year.

**All 4-H application materials must be received on site or postmarked no later than February 1, 2011 at the State 4-H Office in Ames, Iowa for consideration. The application is available at the following web-site:**

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/teens/scholarships.htm>

**Please note that there are other scholarships available on this webpage and that they have different requirements and due dates.**

**4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH**



# Calendar

## JANUARY

- Saturday, Jan. 8** Market Beef Weigh-in at the Kingsley Livestock Pavilion from 8:30 a.m.– Noon Market Beef Identification forms due at weigh-in Jan. 8. Snow date set for Jan. 15 and if needed Jan. 22, 8:30 a.m. - Noon.
- Monday, Jan. 10** Woodbury County Extension Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Woodbury County Extension, 4301 Sergeant Road #209, Sioux City.
- Tuesday, Jan. 11** Plywood Busters meeting, 7:00 p.m. Midtown Family Community Center, 14th & Nebraska, Sioux City.
- Wednesday, Jan. 12** 4-H Recognition Team meeting, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Woodbury County Extension, 4301 Sergeant Rd. #209, Sioux City.
- Thursday, Jan. 13** 4-H & Fair Committee meeting, 6:00 p.m., LuWe's Restaurant near Lawton.
- Wednesday, Jan. 19** Large animal superintendents meeting (Beef, Horse, Sheep, Swine, Herdsmanship, Overall Showmanship and Dairy classes) 7:00 p.m. at the Woodbury County Extension office, 4301 Sergeant Road #209, Sioux City.
- Sunday, Jan. 23** 4-H County Council meeting 1:00 p.m. at the fair office in Merville.

## FEBRUARY

- Tuesday, Feb. 1** All market beef information must be checked and approved on 4-H online by midnight.
- Tuesday, Feb. 1** 4-H Scholarship applications due to the state 4-H office.
- Tuesday, Feb. 1** State 4-H Applications due for State Project Awards, National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, Iowa Tech Team and State Council to state 4-H office in Ames, Iowa.
- Wednesday, Feb. 2** Small animal superintendents meeting (Goat, Rabbit, Poultry, Dog, and Small Pet classes) 7:00 p.m. at Woodbury County Extension, 4301 Sergeant Road #209, Sioux City.
- Tuesday, Feb. 8** Woodbury County Extension meeting, 5:30 p.m., Woodbury County Extension, 4301 Sergeant Road #209, Sioux City.
- Thursday, Feb. 17** 4-H Building superintendent meeting, 7:00 p.m., Woodbury County Extension, 4301 Sergeant Road #209, Sioux City. Will discuss the new classes for 2011 fair. Snow Date will be February 24.

## FUTURE DATES

- Saturday, March 26** State 4-H Interviews held in Ames, Iowa for State Project Awards, National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, Iowa Tech Team and State Council
- Saturday, June 11** 4-H Recognition Event
- August 3-7** Woodbury County Fair (August 1: 4-H Building Judging, & August 2: Livestock Entry)

**WANT TO KNOW MORE?**

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