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2009 Gardening Challenge for Youth/Adult Teams

Participants: Open to any team of a youth (grades K – 6th) and an adult to grow flower seeds and exhibit flowers at county fair. Teams can be family members, friends, or neighbors. Seeds may be grown by the team in a garden, flower bed, or containers. Thank you to Earl May for donating the seeds.

Goals: Excite youth about gardening
Family or team building and quality time together
Youth will learn basics of gardening
Increase participation in Boone County Fair

How to enter: One packet of seeds per team – Marigolds or Zinnias
(Number of teams limited to quantity of seeds on hand.)
Complete entry and pick up seeds at Boone County ISU Extension Office at 603 Story Street in Boone by May 20. Call 515/432-3882 with questions.

Teams may want to select gardening publications from the Boone County ISU Extension Office. *See them Sprout* is a youth gardening publication available for $2.00.

Exhibiting at Boone County Fair: On Friday, July 17 at 6 p.m. bring your flowers to the Community Building at the Boone Co. Fairgrounds. Exhibits will be evaluated by Boone County Master Gardeners and ribbons presented.

Small Blooms – Bring one or more sprays totaling at least three blooms in a clear bottle. Soil should be removed carefully. Petals should not be shriveled or fading. Foliage under water level should be removed.

Large Blooms - Bring three blooms in a clear bottle. Disbud side shoots. Soil should be removed carefully. Petals should not be shriveled or fading. Foliage under water level should be removed.

S/Gardening Challenge/Gardening Challenge flier

Due by May 20

Team Entry for 2009 Gardening Challenge

The following youth and adult wish to participate in the gardening challenge. We give permission for photos taken during these activities to be used by Iowa State University Extension for educational and promotional purposes.

Name of youth _____

Grade just completed _____ Circle: Boy or Girl

Name of adult _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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