



# 4-H Family News

January 2011

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Dear 4-H Families,

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Within these pages you will find some wonderful opportunities for youth and adults through the 4-H program. If you know someone who would be an asset to our program make sure to talk to them and share their name with us at the Extension Office.

Beef weigh-in this year will be on Friday, December 31st at the Nathan and Crystal Drake farm which is located 1 mile west of Britt - 2315 Hill Ave. The postcard had the incorrect time; we are actually starting at 9am and running until 11:00am.

The County Council will have their first official meeting of the year on January 9th. Crystal Drake who is an HR specialist with Pharmacist Mutual in Algona, will be doing a presentation on filling out applications, writing resumes and the importance of watching what you post on social media sites.

I wish you all a healthy and safe new year and success as you begin your 4-H projects.

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Misty Hinson".

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### Misty's Office Hours

You can find me in the office Monday-Friday from 10:30 am-4:30 pm. Call, e-mail, or stop on by!

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Hancock County

## 4-H Scholarships



All 12th grade members should have received information on applying for 4-H scholarships. These applications need to be sent directly to the State 4-H Youth Development Office and **must be received no later than February 1st**. If you need more information or have any questions go to:

([www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/teens/scholarships.htm](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/teens/scholarships.htm)) or call the office!

### North Central Iowa Beef Conference

An educational program for North Central Iowa youth involved with beef production will be held Saturday, January 29, 2011 at Ellsworth community College Agriculture & Renewable Energy Center, Hwy 65 South, Iowa Falls. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the program running from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

There is no cost for youth to attend and a noon lunch will be provided. Parents are welcome to stay. Please pre-register by January 21st at the Extension Office. Registrations must include the Iowa 4-H Medical Information/Release form. Both forms can be found at [www.extension.iastate.edu/franklin](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/franklin) or by contacting your local Extension Office.

## State & National 4-H Opportunities

Get more involved in 4-H and expand your horizons! If you are a 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grader, there are many opportunities available to you for recognition awards or to represent Iowa in upcoming conferences on the state and national levels. To learn more about each of the opportunities go to

[www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/recognition.htm](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/recognition.htm). Applications are available at the Extension Office or on-line and must be completed and sent to the State 4-H office by February 1st. The interviews will be held on March 26th in Ames.

### County of Origin Labeling (COOL)

COOL has been implemented by the USDA and is MANDATORY for all species of livestock sold and consumed by the public. If you have questions about what needs to be done visit <http://www.iowabeefcenter.org/content/COOL/COOL%20Forms.doc> or call the Extension Office.

## State Leader Retreat

Keep Soaring With 4-H is the theme for the 2011 State 4-H Volunteer Retreat. This year's retreat is hosted by DMACC Continuing Education and sponsored by ISU Extension and Monsanto. Mark your calendar for Friday and Saturday February 11 & 12 and join us at the DMACC campus in Ankeny.

For more information visit ([www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/Volunteers/retreat.htm](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/Volunteers/retreat.htm)) or contact the Extension Office. All leaders, volunteers and Intermediate or Senior age members are welcome to attend. Please let Misty know if you plan to attend. Early Bird Registration before January 21st is \$10.



Cancellation and postponements of County 4-H activities due to inclement weather will be broadcast on KIOW Radio 107.3.





# Happy Birthday!

The following Hancock County 4-H members have birthdays in January.

Audry Casperson	Jarod Christie	Madison Eisenman	Dalton Hawe	Liliana Hill
Riley Hiscocks	Nathan Hrubes	Derek Neuberger	Sadie Oulman	Cherrice Risius
Sarah Weaver				

The following Hancock County 4-H members have birthdays in February.

Keegan Clark	Andrew Dornbier	Lilly Guth	Jace Pringnitz	Ashley Smeby
Haley Suby	Jackie VanOort	Ben Waddingham		

Make sure to wish everyone a Happy Birthday!!



## FIRST LEGO League 4-H Club Update

This year there were two FIRST LEGO League (FLL) Clubs, SURF and FIRE, and they also became 4-H Clubs. Jody Albertson and Heather Baumgard took on the coaching of the new team and did a terrific job. Both teams meet on Wednesday afternoons at the Garner Ed Center to work on robotic missions, presentations, and teamwork skills. Saturday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, saw each team drive to Cedar Falls to compete in the Regional competition. It was a long, action packed day where each team learned more about science, engineering, and technology while having loads of fun. FIRE won under Project Awards for Presentation and SURF did an excellent job in robotic missions. If anyone is interested in learning more about FLL, please contact the Hancock County Extension Office and ask for Carol.

## State Fair

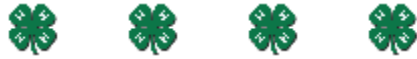
Michelle Dornbier has reserved a block of rooms at Adventureland Inn for State Fair. If you would like to reserve one of these rooms call: 515-265-7321 and give group number 4268.

## Afterschool Kids' 4-H Club

Garner-Hayfield and West Hancock's Afterschool Kids' (ASK) 4-H Clubs voted this semester to learn more about pet care and animals. This included field trips to the veterinary clinic, a dairy farm, PETCO, and each club had a classroom visit related to dog care. While members learned more about their pet's health, what type of pet is best for them, and the work involved with a pet, they also had fun playing games and enjoyed healthy snacks. ASK 4-H Club will be starting again the end of January/ beginning of February. Fliers will be passed out in school so you can sign up or call the Extension Office for more information.



**Club Notes**



**Britt Broncos**

Leaders: Stacey Wirtz

- Club Meeting: Jan. 15 - Britt Bowling Alley - 12-3pm
- Club Meeting: Feb. 5 - Westview Care Center - 2-4pm

**Concord Challengers**

Leaders: Michelle Dornbier & Jody Seelhammer

- Club Meeting: Jan. 7 - Country Threads - Meet at the Extension Office at 8:30am.
- Club Meeting: Feb. 10 - High School Shop

**Elcon Indians**

Leaders: Deb Duregger

- Club Meeting: Jan. 17 - 7pm - Garner Education Center
- Club Meeting: Feb. 20 - 6pm - Viaduct Center - Family Potluck

**Orthel Jolly Workers**

Leaders: Jan Bier, Sheryl Chizek, DeEtta Kluver, & Ellen Tusha

- Club Meeting: Jan. 9 - 2-4pm - Forest City Bowling Alley
- Club Meeting: Feb. 19 - 9-11am - Garner Education Center

**Clover Kids**

Leader: Misty Hinson

Britt Creative Clovers: January 27th - 3:30-5:00pm at the West Hancock Elementary lunch room.

Garner Lucky Clovers: January 22nd - 9-10:30am at the Garner Education Center

**Senior County Council**

Ellen Bertilson	Bri Bier	Kim Dornbier
Nathan Hrubes	Chase Jass	Trey Jass
Taylor Kluver	Brandon Luppen	Susan Pistek
Jake Pringnitz	Kelsi Pringnitz	Ashley Smeby
Katelyn Terhark	Kevin Tlach	Liz Tusha
Maddie Tusha	Jared Wellik	Mark Wellik

**Intermediate Council**

Jack Bertilson	Emma Chizek	Kiersten Jass
Nathan Nedved	Lizzy Trulson	



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