



Adair County 4-H News



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Special points of interest:

- Register NOW for Career Exploration Opportunities
- 4-H'ers for 4-H Campaign
- Trophy Donors Needed
- Swine Tagging & Weighing Dates
- 4-H Re-enrollments

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Members of the Jefferson Pioneers volunteered approximately 52 community service hours by providing baked goods and fresh fruit baskets to elderly community members during December.

The Way Out Walnuts picked up Christmas trees and delivered goodie plates to businesses in Casey.

Summit Super Stars donated school supplies to the Adair-Casey Elementary School. They also donated \$75.00 to buy books for the high school library.

Members and guests of the Grove Champions enjoyed an afternoon of physical activity at the Creston Y .

Adair County Wing Walkers are participating in Go The Distance

Have You Heard?

and tallied many activity minutes during a sledding party in February. They continue their monthly project of making door decorations for the Adair County Memorial Hospital.

Natalie Bohling wrote an Iowa Promises Youth grant application on behalf of the Youth Council for a cultural diversity weeklong day-camp to be held this summer.

Laura Nosbisch, Adair County 4-H alumnus, has given a Fujifilm 35 mm camera, complete with Kodak film, to any Adair County 4-H club who needs a camera for their club activities. Contact the Extension office if your club could use this camera.

Velista Martin received Reserve Champion honors with her

Balancer (Gelbvieh/Angus cross) breeding heifer and Tess Mittag earned 3rd place in the junior showmanship competition at the Iowa Beef Expo Junior Show in Des Moines February 17-18.

Tanner Brown and Cody Ladd have applied for a Pioneer Grant to help fund the NV Middle school bleacher improvement project. Contact Tanner or Cody, Kyle Thompson or Jeff Thompson for information on how you or your club can help.

Alecia Havens, Rachel Held, Ben Schulteis, Ashley Thompson, Katie Havens, Jasmine Linn, Alyssa Jensen, and Susan Herr will all be participating in Horse Quiz Bowl and Hippology Contests during Horse Jamboree in Des Moines.

Welcome New 4-H Members

Welcome to Halee Bender, Clover Kids; Kain Queck and Stefan Queck, Summerset Citizens; Jessie Booth and Dustin Freeman, Harrison Hummers; and Jake Baudler, Nodaway Valley Clover Kids, as the newest members of the Adair County 4-H program.

Our membership now stands at 256. Please work to keep our program growing by inviting someone to join your club. **Youth join 4-H because they are asked.** New memberships are accepted anytime, but must be turned in by May 15th to be eligible to participate in the 2007 Adair

County Fair. Our list of "missing members" is on page 3 of the newsletter. Encourage them to re-enroll and continue to enjoy the activities and opportunities available to our 4-H youth.

Register Now for Great Career Exploration Opportunities

Join other students grades 6th—9th for an exciting ***Ag Career Trip** to Iowa State University, Ames, on Friday, March 23 (**registration required by March 12**). The Animal Science dissection lab, Wildlife Care Clinic, and Aquatic Rehabilitation at Vet Med are highlights of the trip. We will leave from the Extension office at 7:30 a.m., returning to the office at 5:00 p.m. Cost of the trip is \$7.50 and includes lunch and transportation.

***Natural Resources Career-Springbrook Overnight** is planned for Monday, March 26—Tuesday, March 27 (**registration required by March 12**). We'll leave the Extension office at 7:30 am for this fun and educational overnight adventure for 6th—8th graders. Activities include a watershed observation hike, archery, orienteering with topographic maps, identifying animal tracks and animal adaptations. We'll go on a night hike with owl calling and enjoy a campfire complete with s'mores. Early Tuesday morning, we'll enjoy a wildlife hike, have breakfast and learn about bird banding and survival shelter building before we leave Springbrook at 11:00 a.m. Cost of this adventure is \$20 and

includes all food, lodging and transportation.

Interested parents can also sign-up for the trips. For more details and to register for any or all of these career trips, call the Extension office at 641-743-8412 or 1-800-ISUE399.

***Pork Youth 101 Spring Conference** for 9th—12th graders will be held in Ames Saturday, March 31st (**registration required by March 19th**). Conference fee of \$10 covers meal and educational materials. Topics include pork harvesting and carcass fabrication, pork carcass evaluation, food safety and backyard BBQ tips, retail products workshop, making sausage links, and a tour of the ISU meats lab. We'll leave from the Extension office at 7:30 a.m. and return at 6:00 p.m. Contact the Extension office to register.

Call the Extension office to arrange for additional pick-up and drop-off points for any of the career trips. The career trips are partially funded by a Decat grant.

***Scholarships are available for students who qualify for free or reduced lunches.**

"Taking the Road Less Traveled: A Career Conference for Girls" will be held April 5 (Grades 9-12); April 12 (Grades 6-9); and April 19 (Grades 6-9) at the Memorial Union on the ISU campus in Ames.

The purpose of this day-long conference is to expose young women to careers in science, technology, engineering and math-related areas. Registration fee of \$15 covers the cost of lunch and minimal conference expenses.

For more information and registration forms, contact the Extension office 641-743-8412 or 1-800-ISUE399. Registrations must be postmarked two weeks before the chosen conference.

Youth DaysRacing for the Future will be held at Prairie Meadows Racetrack in Altoona, August 1-4. Prairie Meadows will host ten youth ages 15-19 for four days of fun, interactive learning on the backside of the racetrack. Applications must be received by June 1st. Contact the Extension office for more information and application form.

Opportunities Available at the Iowa 4-H Camping Center

Cabin counselors/program staff, van drivers and day camp directors are summer staff positions available at the camping center. All staff must be at least 18 years old. Applications and job descriptions are available at www.iowa4hcamp.com under the "summer employment" tab.

Leaders-In-Training, LIT Camp, is a one-week session for teens (co-ed ages 15-16) who want a camp just for them, but also want leadership opportunities. Through hands-on training and practice, you will learn leadership skills and camp operation procedures. Then as a team, you will give encouragement to campers and lead activities. You'll also get to participate in advanced camp activities for team-building, such as the challenge course, river canoe trips, pizza parties, and off-site camping. Complete description and registration form available at:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hcenter/summercamp/CampDescriptions.php>

Keep Your Club Moving

Enjoy an opportunity to keep moving. Round up your outstanding basketball players and form a team for the **3 on 3 tournament** planned by the Washington Stars for March 24 at the NV Middle School. Team members don't need to be 4-H'ers. The double elimination tournament features divisions for both girls and boys. Grade groupings are 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th, and 7th & 8th grades. They can only accept 8 teams per division so enter today. Entry forms are available at the NV Middle & Elementary schools, and the Extension office.

Graduating Seniors



Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity Scholarship

Must be an active 4-H member planning to attend Iowa State University this fall with an interest in agriculture or the food, fiber, and life sciences.

*Applications are due **March 9, 2007.**

Principal Financial Group IT Scholarship

Must pursue career in computer science or computer programming. Download information at

www.principal.com/careers/scholarships.htm

*Application due **March 15, 2007.**

Kelly Laughery 4-H Community Service Scholarship

Must be a 4-H member and have completed service work.

*Applications due **April 2, 2007.**

Adair County Pork Producers Scholarship

Parent must be member for two years, including current year.

*Applications are due **April 3, 2007.**

Farmers Electric Cooperative Scholarship

Parent must be member.

*Applications are due **April 6, 2007.**

For more information call Greenfield Farmers Electric Cooperative (641) 743-6146.

***Applications are available at the Extension office.**

We're Missing You

The following youth were 4-H members last year, but haven't re-enrolled for 2006-07. Talk to the former members you know and encourage them to re-enroll:

Cheyenne Aldrich	Georgia Ballantyne
Morgan Bax	John Berg
Cooper Bower	Aaron Brown
Dakota and Dalton Clayton	Gunnar and Logan Dinkla
Gabrielle Doud	Payton Drake
Anna Earhart	Madaline Eblen
Megan Eblen	Devon Eddy
Hayley Fenley	Brittany Firch
Katelyn Garside	James Gulbranson
Maddison and McClain Haines	Kody Kokemiller
Dawn McBroom	Amanda Miller
Alison Mostaert	Elizabeth Nourse
Megan O'Brien	Anna Parrott
Karena Ries	Andrea and Craig Sackett
Zakery Sickles	Elizabeth Simmons
Elizabeth Stevens	Ellen Varley
Jesse Zimmerline	

If they have misplaced their re-enrollment card, contact the Extension office at 743-8412 or 1-800-ISUE 399 or email wallaced@iastate.edu and we'll get them a new card.

Please do your part to help us increase our community club membership.

4-H'ers for 4-H



4-H...Laying the Foundation for your Future is the theme for the 4-H'ers for 4-H campaign this year. State Council members, Natalie Bohling and Elizabeth Baudler, are urging every club in Adair County to participate by contributing \$2 per member. 4-H'ers benefit through state conference and 4-H camp scholarships, area intermediate events, and statewide recognition awards and trips.

All contributions should be submitted to the Extension office by May 15. Make checks payable to the Iowa 4-H Foundation.

Trophy Donors Needed

A listing of 2007 Adair County Fair trophy donors since our February newsletter is on page 8. We have 21 large trophies @ \$17.50 that still need a sponsor. If you are interested in becoming a trophy donor, contact the Adair County Extension Office at 641-743-8412 or 1-800-ISUE 399. The donor's name is engraved on the trophy they provide for the fair or they can ask to donate a trophy in honor or memory of someone special. Sponsors who purchase a trophy before April 1 will also be listed in the fair book.

Animal Project Update

Swine project members – Remember you must have your pigs tagged at one of the following locations:

- A-C School parking lot,**
Thursday, April 5 9-11:30 am
- O-M School east parking lot**
Saturday, April 7 8:30-11:30 am
- Adair County fairgrounds**
Saturday, April 7 1:30-3:30 pm

Call the Extension office at 641-743-8412 or 1-800-ISUE399 or email wallaced@iastate.edu **NOW** to set an appointment time if you haven't done so. Make plans now so you have your project animals before the tagging date. You're responsible for having your pigs ear notched in advance. **Bring birth dates for all gilts being tagged to weigh-in.** There is a fee for on-farm tagging.

If you're planning to exhibit pigs at the Iowa State Fair 4-H Show, contact the Extension office for details ASAP. The Intent to Participate form is due to the Extension office March 14. Weigh-in and verification for swine to be shown at the Iowa State Fair will be Saturday, April 21, 8-9:30 a.m. at the Madison County Fairgrounds in Winterset.

Sheep and Goat project members – **Scrapie** is a disease of the central nervous system in sheep and goats. It is always fatal and there is no cure for it. Sheep and goats are usually exposed to it when they are newborns, but don't show symptoms until they are older. A national program to eradicate SCRAPIE has been put into effect and will affect 4-H and FFA members enrolled in the sheep and goat project areas.

All sexually intact sheep and goats must have an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin Identification Tag or official tattoo registered with USDA (to register, call 1-866-873-2824) to exhibit at the Adair County Fair. This means that ALL breeding and market ewes, and meat and dairy goat does that show at the Adair County Fair need to have this special tag.

If you purchase your lambs – Any ewe lamb that you purchase must already have a Scrapie flock tag or tattoo in its ear. **DO NOT BUY ANY EWE LAMBS THAT DO NOT HAVE THE TAGS!!!!**

If you or your family have your own ewe flock (home raised) – You must tag or tattoo your ewes yourself before they can be shown at the county fair. Tags are free and can be ordered or tattoo numbers can be registered by calling 1-866-873-2824.

Bucket/Bottle Calves – It's time you may be securing your 4-H bucket/bottle calf. Just a few reminders:

- If you purchase a bottle calf from outside your herd, it's a good idea to isolate the calf from the rest of the herd until other calves are at least 4 weeks of age to avoid introducing any new health problems. Look at the calf's fecal material. They should be solid with no signs of diarrhea.
- The calf must be tagged with a special tag available at the Extension office for \$1.50. Once you have your calf, stop in and buy a tag. We have a tagger you can borrow.
- Be sure to list the calf on a breeding beef ID sheet. The ID sheet should be turned in as soon as possible. The last day to turn in ID sheets is May 15.

Records are an important part of the bottle calf project. Start right away. Ask for the record form when you pick up your tag or pull it off the web at www.extension.iastate.edu/adair/news/records.htm

Horse project members—Be sure to attend the Horse Project Planning Meeting Sunday, March 18th, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Adair County Extension Office meeting room. This organizational meeting is for horse project members and parents, also. If you don't have a riding helmet, you may buy one at the meeting for \$15.00. A statewide policy requires that all 4-H'ers wear a helmet every time they are mounted including horse practices and county fair.

Youth Horse Show & Clinic will be held Saturday, April 28 at Wesley Woods in Indianola. Contact the Extension office at 641-743-8412 or 1-800-ISUE 399 for more information.

Dog project members-4-H Dog Obedience and Agility Classes will begin April 29th, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds. If you plan to exhibit a dog at the county fair, it is strongly recommended that you attend classes. Jayne Lents will be leading the classes again this year. Remember your dog must have a current rabies vaccination to go to classes and be exhibited at the fair.

Livestock Judging enthusiasts should sign up for the Block & Bridle Livestock Judging Contest being held Sunday, April 15, on the ISU campus. Jeff Thayne, ISU Livestock Judging coach, will be the advisor for the contest. Entries are due April 9. Contact the Extension office for more information.

Additional Opportunities

Senior Lock-In for SW Iowa 4-H'ers will be held Saturday, March 24. The SW Iowa Area 4-H Council is hosting a dance/lock-in/activity night for senior 4-H'ers (grades 9-12). They will have a cool DJ, a movie theater with new releases, and energetic activities basketball, volleyball, soccer or racquetball. **Register by March 9.** Registration form and details are available at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/adair/news/arealockin.htm> or contact the Extension office.

Win money to help buy a lamb or bucket calf. If you'd like to show a lamb or bottle calf at the county fair, you will want to enter our special essay contest. The winners will be awarded \$60 to help defray the expense of purchasing a bucket calf or \$40 for the purchase of a lamb. You just need to write a 100-200 word essay stating why you'd like to have a lamb or calf and include how you'll care for the animal. You must plan to exhibit the animal at the county fair. Both you and your parent must sign your essay. Contest is open to all 4-H'ers 4th-12th grades. Previous winners can apply. **All entries are due to the Extension office by March 15.** Winners will be notified by March 23.

Apply to be a Junior Camp Counselor. You need to be a 4-H'er and 16 years of age by June 9, 2007. SW Area 4-H Junior Camp for 5th and 6th graders will be held June 10-13 at the State 4-H Camping Center near Madrid. You will need to attend two required training sessions in mid and late May. Applications are available at the Extension office or on line at www.extension.iastate.edu/adair/news/campcounselor.htm **Applications must be completed and returned to the Extension office by Monday, March 19.**

Get Your Pop Tabs Collected. Youth Council members will be taking pop tabs to Ronald McDonald House in Des Moines on April 1st where they will pack them in large McDonald French fry boxes. Get your classroom, family, local restaurants, church, or even your parent's workplace involved in your collection. Package the tabs in large zip-lock bags, plastic ice cream buckets,, or even boxes and **bring them to the Extension office by March 30th.**

Plan to attend the **countywide bowling party on Sunday, April 15** at Stuart Bowl in Stuart. Your entire family is invited to share in the fun from 1:30-3:30 p.m. The cost is \$3.00 per person or only \$2.00 per person if you bring one or more non-perishable food items. The youth council will donate these items to local food pantries to restock their shelves as a community service project. The cost includes shoe rental, unlimited bowling, and cool prizes to be given away throughout the party. This is an excellent way to keep your club, family and friends physically active. Call the Extension office at 743-8412 or 1-800-ISUE 399 or e-mail wallaced@iastate.edu by April 8th if you plan to attend.

Sign-up for WY-ADVENTURE, a 16-day summer camp/trip/course of fun, adventure, and learning for 4-H youth (grades 9-12) interested in geology and ecology. Contact the Extension office for more details. Registration due April 16.

Plan to attend **State 4-H Conference, "007: License to Succeed"** June 26-28 in Ames. These three days will be packed with new friends and many activities. The conference is open to 8-12 graders. You don't have to be a 4-H'er so you can take your friends along. Cost is \$120. Watch for registration details in the April newsletter. Scholarships are available.

Community Opportunities

Adair County Ag Day Expo will be held Monday, March 19 on the fairgrounds in Greenfield. Displays from local businesses and sponsoring organizations can be viewed from 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the 4-H/FFA Center.

Lunch sponsored by Adair County Cattlemen, Corn & Soybean Association, Farm Bureau and Pork Producers will be served from 11:00 a.m. until gone. Free will donations will be accepted to buy meat & ethanol certificates for local food pantries.

A highlight of the Expo will be a presentation by Tim Eggers, ISU Extension Agricultural Economist, on farm lease rates from 10:00-11:00 a.m. in the small meeting room of the 4-H/FFA Center.

Leadership Training. If you have a great idea that you would like others to support and help make happen for your community, you should sign-up for **LeadershipPlenty® - the next phase of the Horizons program.** This is a great way for club leaders, high school age 4-H'ers, Youth Action Committee members, and parents to develop new leadership skills.

Training will be held locally beginning in March. Proposed training dates and times are March 22 and 27, 6:30-9:30 p.m., April 3 and April 14 from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. There is no charge to receive LeadershipPlenty® training. Participants should have a desire to work for a better community future and be willing to attend the 30 hours of instruction. Contact the Extension office, 641-743-8412 or email arich@iastate.edu for more information. Sign-up is needed by March 15.



March



* E.O.—Extension Office

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Youth Council	5 Storing and Feeding DDGS Field Day, 12:00 pm McNay Research Farm, Chariton	6 Master Gardener, 6:30-9:30 pm HAW Country Life Center Horizons Action Forum 7-8:30 p.m., E.O.*	7 Ornamental Turfgrass Applicators 1:30 p.m. E.O.* Youth Action Committee 7:00 p.m., E.O.*	8 Master Gardener 6:30-9:30 p.m., E.O.*	9	10 Gardening Workshop HAW 8:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Adair County Corn & Soybean Banquet, 6:30 pm Greenfield Chamber
11 Area 4-H Project Award Interviews, Atlantic SOFA Planning Committee 3:00 pm, Cass County Extension Office, Atlantic	12 Corn on Corn Webcast 10 - 12:15 am E.O.* Registrations due for Ag Career Trip and Springbrook Overnight	13 Shade Tree Shortcourse, Ames Preschool Networking 5:30 p.m., Adair	14 ← →	15 Deadline for Bottle Lamb & Bucket Calf Essays Certified Handlers 9 a.m., E.O.*	16 "Bridging the Gap – Marketing to Food Distributors, Part 2." Coon Rapids	17
18 Horse Project Meeting 1-3 p.m., E.O.*	19 Ag Day/Expo 9:30 -2:00 Adair County Fairgrounds Farm Leasing Mtg. 10 -11 4-H & FFA bldg. small mtg. room Pork 101 registrations due	20 "How Will Ethanol Impact Your Farming Operation" Adair Co. YMCA, Greenfield 9:30-1:30 p.m.	21	22 Registrations due for April 5 Career Conference for Girls Horizons Leadership Training 6:30-9:30 p.m., E.O.*	23 Ag Career Trip to Ames, 6-9 graders, \$7.50 Bioeconomy Community Conversation 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., E.O.*	24 3 On 3 BB Tourney 3rd-8th graders NV Middle School ISU Block & Bridle Steer & Heifer Show, Ames Senior 4-H Lock-In, Atlantic Y ←
25 Senior 4-H Lock-in, Atlantic Y →	26 Natural Resources Career Trip ← → Springbrook Overnight, 6-8 graders, \$20 Extension Council 6:00 p.m. E.O.*	27 4-H Legislative Day Des Moines Horizons Leadership Training, 6:30-9:30 p.m., E.O.*	28	29 Emerald Ash Borer webcast 9:30-12 noon Landscape Tree Pruning Workshop 1:30-3:30 pm E.O.* Registrations due for April 12 Career Conference	30 Pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House due to Extension Office	31 Pork 101 Conference 10:00 am-4:00 pm, ISU Ames, \$10 Horse Jamboree, Des Moines ←



April



* E.O.—Extension Office

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Youth Council to Ronald McDonald House Horse Jamboree →	2 Kelly Laughery 4-H Community Service Scholarship Applications due	3 Horizons Leadership Training 8 a.m.-5 p.m., E.O. *	4	5 Swine Tagging/Weighing A-C School Parking Lot 9-11:30 am Career Conference for Girls Grades 9-12, ISU Ames Registrations due for April 12 Conference	6	7 Swine Tagging/Weighing O-M School Parking Lot 8:30-11:30 am Adair County Fairgrounds 1:30-3:30pm ISU Block & Bridle Club Pig Sale 1:00 pm, Ames
8	9	10	11	12 Career Conference for Girls Grades 6-9, ISU Ames	13	14 ISU Block & Bridle Club Lamb Sale 7:00 pm, Ames Horizons Leadership Training 8 a.m.-5 p.m., E.O.*
15 National Volunteer Week ← ISU Block & Bridle Jr. Livestock Judging Contest, 8:30 am, Ames Countywide Bowling Party 1:30-3:30, Stuart Bowl	16	17	18	19 Career Conference for Girls Grades 6-9, ISU Ames	20 ISU Block & Bridle Horse Show, Ames ←	21 →
22 →	23 Extension Council 7:00 p.m., E.O.*	24	25	26	27	28
29 4-H Dog Obedience Class 6:30-8:30 pm Fairgrounds	30					

Planning Ahead: June 10-13 SW Iowa Area Junior camp July 25-29 Adair County Fair August 9-19 Iowa State Fair

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**Thank you to the following county fair trophy donors
since our February newsletter:**

Adair County Corn & Soybean Association
Adair County Pork Producers
Adair County Veterinary Clinic, Gary Schulteis, DVM
Baier Quarter Horses, Paul & Tammy Baier, Orient
Bethany Thompson, Fontanelle
Dallas & Tracey Mavis, Greenfield
David & Sharon Doud Family, Stuart
E & R Enterprises, Don Eyerly & Mark Ruby, Winterset
Greenfield Optimist Club
Harlan Farms, Jeff & Deb Harlan, Greenfield
Harold & Sylvia Carr, Greenfield
Helen Herr, Fontanelle
JPS Enterprises, L.L.C., Jim & Peg Scott, Fontanelle
Jackie Swoyer, Greenfield
Jefferson Pioneers 4-H Club
Mark & Angela Ruby Family, Greenfield
Marlin & Sheri Kenney, Casey
Orient-Macksburg FFA Chapter
Patty Jacobson, Fontanelle
Richard Wallace Family, Orient
Rohrig Show Pigs, Matt Rohrig, Orient
Ron Dreher Family, Adair
S & S Trenching, Jim & Glen Scott, Fontanelle
Scott Concrete Construction, John & Karalee Scott, Redfield
State Representative Clel Baudler, Greenfield
Summerset Citizens 4-H Club
Summit Super Stars 4-H Club
Toby, Jane & Maggie Stalter, Stuart
Walker Trucking, Jerry & Jerrid Walker, Bridgewater
Wayne Bohling, Fontanelle

As a Club -

- ◆ Remind graduating seniors in your club to apply for the Kelly Laughery 4-H Community Service Scholarship. Applications are due to the Extension office April 2.
- ◆ Make plans to contribute to the 4-H'ers for 4-H campaign. The goal is \$2 per member, but there is nothing wrong with exceeding the goal. Club contributions are due May 15 to the Adair County Extension Office. Make check payable to Iowa 4-H Foundation.
- ◆ Make plans to sponsor a trophy for county fair, if you haven't already done so.
- ◆ Discuss how you will use National Volunteer Week (April 15—21) to recognize your leaders and others in the community that volunteer their time to help 4-H.
- ◆ Check how you are doing on pop tab collections. Explore ways to get more tabs by the March 30 deadline. Arrange to have someone deliver tabs to the Extension office.
- ◆ Remind members that one of the H's is Health. Encourage healthy snacks and physical activity within your club. Make plans to attend the countywide bowling party on April 15 as a club. Report what your club does to our office.
- ◆ Encourage members to work on their county fair exhibits.
- ◆ Update 4-H Participation Summary in record books.
- ◆ Hold a mini-project workshop. Have members and adult volunteers set up stations (like working exhibits) and rotate between different stations.
- ◆ Review the list of "missing members". Contact them and encourage them to get signed up for 4-H and get their re-enrollment card to the Extension office.

SOFA XIII Road Trip is June 6-7!

Youth grades 7-12 will want to sign-up for SOFA XIII for an exciting, fun-filled two-day adventure. SOFA is heading northwest this year with stops at the following locations:

MidAmerican Energy Wind Energy Farm near Carroll
Cookies BBQ, Wall Lake
Wells Blue Bunny, LeMars
Trans Ova Genetics, Sioux Center
Pizza Ranch Headquarters, Hull, Iowa
South Dakota State University, Brookings, South Dakota
Jolly Time Popcorn, Sioux City

Cost of the trip is \$30. Watch for registration form and details on our website www.extension.iastate.edu and also in the April newsletter.