



4-H NEWSLETTER



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What a summer! As a new staff employee at the Jones County Extension Service I must say that I have had an eventful summer. I took the reigns as the Assistant Youth Coordinator running the Summer Discovery camp, working the office, and assisting in the flow of the Jones County Fair and State Fair. I look forward to meeting extension staff, leaders, volunteers, and all new/current members.

Fun at the Great 2011 Jones County Fair!



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County 4-H News

COUNTY NEWS

County 4-H Awards and Awards Day

County 4-H Awards: Forms were sent to 4-H leaders and are also posted on the Jones county 4-H page on-line. 4-Hers indicated those awards they wished to apply for and inserted this form in their record books. To be eligible in a specific project area, 4-Hers must have: **1. Carried a project for at least 3 years (including the current year)**
2. Used the experienced 94-H 96B) or Advanced (4-H 96C) Project Records for at least one of those years.

3. Has not previously received that specific project area award. 4. Must be an Intermediate or Senior 4-H member.

4-H Family Awards Day: Will be held on Sunday, November 13th at 3PM at the Main Lodge of Camp Courageous located near Monticello.

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NEW! Leaders Training

Leaders Training: Recently the Jones County Extension has purchased a mobile computer lab that will assist leaders in learning hands on training from the Extension staff. The 4-H leaders will meet Thursday, September 15th, 2011 with an option of two separate times 2:30pm or 7pm.

Officer Training: Pamphlets describing the officers duties' can be found online along with other materials to enhance your officer experience. Leaders have new Secretary books. Treasurer books are available as well as Historian books at \$15. All books can be obtained from the Extension Office if needed.

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Membership/Enrollment Policy and 4-H Guidelines

Membership/Enrollment: The renewal deadline for current 4-H members is **January 15th**. If renewals are not submitted to the Extension office by that date, those individuals will be exempt from 4-H membership for one year. (This policy does not effect new members.)

Jones County 4-H Guidelines: The Jones County 4-H Guidelines are included in the new 2012 Club Program. These will be distributed to the leaders at their fall meeting. This is an excellent "one-stop" listing of the current guidelines

for our county in regards to 4-H membership/enrollment as well as expectations of clubs, members and leaders. Remember to include your own club program in your Record Book!

Check Cashing: A reminder that due to our account system and good financial procedures, all checks issued from the Extension Office **MUST be cashed within 60 days**. This includes checks throughout the year for awards, prizes, fair premiums, etc. We do not reissue checks.

MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING



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Kids in the Kitchen Cooking Club...Join Now!



Jones County extension invites you to join the Kids in the Kitchen Cooking Club for grades 4-6. Learn to make fun treats for Halloween, Christmas, Easter, and Birthdays. Even make your own fun lunch for summer. Anamosa and Oxford Junction currently have cooking clubs and are having a blast. Oxford Junction even has a Retired Sheriff to assist with your cooking skills. The cost will be \$5 per enrolled

Jones County 4-Her and \$25 for a new Jones County Member.

Oxford Junction: Meets the second Monday of September, October, November at the Senior Center from 3:30 to 5:30.

Anamosa: Meets the second Monday of September, October, and November from 3:30 to 5:30 at the Methodist church basement.

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4-H Record Book/Officer Books Due September 1st



4-H club **LEADERS** should have turned in Record Books (along with Award Applications), Officer Books, and Jr. Achievement Award Nomination lists by **SEPTEMBER 1** to the Extension Office. The only Junior Record Books turned in at the Extension Office were those of 4-Hers applying for the County Reading Award. Club Reporters

wishing to apply for the County Reporter Award must have turned in the application mailed to the club leaders. **Due to the requirements of our account system, every club MUST turn in a Treasurer's Book to the Extension Office each year.**

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4-H Volleyball, 4-H Find Out, Make a Difference Day

4-H Volleyball : 4-H Volleyball will be held all in one day again this year. Junior Games (8th and under) and Senior Games (9th-12th grades) will be held at the Monticello Middle school gym on tentative date of November 5th. Juniors will start at 9am and seniors will be around noon. Team rosters are due to the Extension Office by October 24th. **(Enrollment forms for all team members MUST be submitted to the Extension Office at the same time).** Schedules will be sent to club leaders.

4-H Find Out: Come and learn about all 4-H has to offer! Participate in Working Exhibits, view project ideas, and enjoy a Zio Johnno's Spaghetti Supper. This will be held on September 20th at the Oxford Junction Legionnaire from 5:30 to 7:30.

Make a Different Day: Once again 4-Hers are asked to make a difference in the lives of others. We are asking you to rake yards and clean up leaves, so plan to donate your time. We ask that you send pictures and a write up to the Extension Office.

OUR VISION

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



Animal and Other Agriculture News

ANIMAL NEWS

Livestock Fair Evaluation



The 2011 Great Jones County Fair and Food Fest was full of family fun and definitely marked as a success. The livestock departments, Youth Committee members, and Extension staff are reviewing all livestock shows, judging day and other rules and regulations from 2011 fair. If you have any constructive comments or advice to give to the above departments please contact the Extension office. Our goal is to make sure we meet all requirements for the livestock project requirements as well as promote a positive attitude while promoting 4-H.

AGRICULTURE NEWS

Master Gardeners and Flowerpot Challenge!

Master Gardeners are individuals who have an interest in horticulture, have taken the Master Gardener training offered by Iowa State University Extension, and share their time and expertise with others. To become a Master Gardener, contact your [local Iowa State University Extension](#) office. For many years the Master Gardeners have challenged the 4-H clubs in Jones County to decorate a flowerpot for the Great Jones County Fair.

This year there were many creative flowerpots but only five awards were able to be given. Featured here is the Oxford Livewires awarded for "Best Decorations". All winners will be recognized at "Awards Day" in November.



County Fair Follow-Up

COUNTY FAIR FOLLOW-UP

Fair Exhibitors

Congratulations to all members that exhibited at the county and State Fair. We hope that you had a worthwhile experience representing Jones County 4-H. Please pick up your State Fair Exhibits and the Evaluation Forms from the extension Office. Good Job! Now would be a good time to start setting personal goals to participate in the Jones County Fair and the Iowa State Fair



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.



Project Development

Jones County Youth Development Center



We would like give a giant **Thank You** to all who supported the donation drives for the construction of the Jones County Development Center. During the Fair we raised nearly \$2,500 dollars at the various shows and tip jars located on the fair grounds, Way to go! You still have the opportunity to donate either through cash donations or pledges. Think about donating part of your fair premium to the building process. All donations can be



received at the Extension office in Anamosa. The Extension office is still pursuing additional grants and contributions for the construction of the Jones County Youth Development Center.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

We Appreciate You!!!

Lasso E RV Inc Amber and Anamosa
 Pepsi Company
 Stronghold gates provide by Rick Caspers
 Beef, Pork, and Dairy Producers
 Jones County Farm Bureau
 River Valley Cooperative
 Farm Credit Services
 Jones County Master Gardeners
 Great Jones County Fair Board

M.E.P. construction—Mike Loecke
 Frontier Seeds Company
 Triangle Agri Services
 Monticello Express/ Anamosa Journal Eureka
 Swift & Co.
 Ohnwawrd Bank and Trust
 Dr. Wolken
 Kramer Brothers

Brad Langhoff/Hinschberger Distribution
 Francksen Family
 Jerry Rogers/Rogers Concrete/City of Monticello
 Volunteer /instructors/hosts
 All Trophy /plaque donors
 All Leaders and parents

4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH



Calendar

SEPTEMBER

1—Record Books, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian Books, Reporter Forms DUE to Extension Office

1—Rotary Award Applications DUE

5—Extension Office closed for holiday

8—4-H Youth Committee meeting 7pm at Extension Office

11—Teen Council Retreat—Extension Office 3:30—8:30pm

12—Kids in the Kitchen 3:30-5:30pm
OJ located in Senior Center
Anamosa located in Methodist Church

15—Fall Leaders Training 2:30 or 7pm
At Extension Office

20—4-H FindOut—OJ Legionnaire

OCTOBER

2-8 National 4-H Week

9—Teen Council Meeting—Extension Office 6:30pm

10—Kids in the Kitchen 3:30-5:30pm
OJ located in Senior Center
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15—Participation form for Volleyball and Fund Raising Opportunity Due

22—Make a Difference Day

26—Volleyball Rosters Due, as well as, **Enrollment Forms for all Volleyball Players DUE**

NOVEMBER

1—All Enrollment Forms, Parent information Paper, Code of Ethics, Medical Information forms DUE

5—Junior and Senior Volleyball at the Monticello Middle School gym, **tentative date**

13—4-H Family Awards Day—Camp Courageous, Monticello (Main Lodge) - 3pm

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