

**INSIDE GRUNDY COUNTY**  
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Do you have an inquiring mind? Do you like to surf? Do you have internet service? If you answered 'yes' to these questions, then I would like to invite you to visit (surf) the new website for Grundy County Extension. This site not only provides you with a list of ISU Extension activities that are going on in the county but it links you to the world beyond. You can reach this site at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/grundy/>.

Our home page highlights timely tips, educational programs that are available and activities of interest to county residents. If you need more specific information on a subject, you can obtain that information from here as well.

Let me give you an example: You can gather information on the following topic areas: communities and business, crops, environment, farm management, finances, health and nutrition, home and family, kids and teens/4-H, livestock and yard and garden. Once you have accessed our homepage, look on the left hand side of the page and chose a topic that you are interested in.

For instance, if you had a question about communities and business you could click on communities and that will bring up several options. If you wanted demographic information, you would click on Data For Decision Makers on the upper right hand corner of the page; that will bring up data for Grundy County and you could then look up the information you desire. For example, in 2000, Grundy County had 24.1% of its

population between the ages of 45 – 65; which is almost 2% higher than the state average.

If you want to keep on top of the latest information available on Asian soybean rust, you would click on crops, then on Soybean rust in the upper right hand corner and that will take you to the website dedicated to providing current information on Asian soybean rust. You can access the current cash rental rates from this same page by again looking on the right hand side of the page and clicking on Cash Rental Rates For Iowa.

If you want to know what programs are being offered in Grundy County, you can click on the events page and get a current list of programs and activities offered in the county or nearby. If you want to know the staff, you can go to the staff section and see the extension staff who serve Grundy county. I think you get the point! Keep up to date and in the know by starting out with our website.

If you have any question, please give me a call at the Grundy office of ISU Extension at 319-824-6979.