

4-H Focus

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Carroll County Enrollment 2009

Enrollment Guidelines

Standards for Carroll County 4-H:

- ☘ A "club" is defined as a group of 6 or more 4-H members with a full set of officers. These officers are President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and reporter, plus one member. In order to have interaction with other members and utilize parliamentary procedures, these group numbers must be met!
- ☘ All returning 4-H members must have an enrollment paper and medical release form on file at the Extension Office by December 1, 2009. New member enrollments will be accepted until March 1, 2010, to be eligible to show at the fair.
- ☘ A club schedule must be on file at the Extension Office by December 1, 2009.
- ☘ **4-H members must attend one club meeting quarterly (September through November, December through February, March through May and June through August).** This rule will be enforced this year. Leaders will turn in attendance records to the Extension Office July 1. Those who have not met this requirement will NOT be able to show at fair.

Thank you to everyone who has been working so hard to recruit new members. We are working towards a goal of 3% growth this year. I have had many calls from new 4-H families and am excited to get them started with a club and on their road to their 4-H experience. Continue to get the word out and help us grow 4-H in Carroll County!!

Newsletter Options and Updates

When filling out your enrollment form this year, please take note to add your family e-mail address if one is available. Throughout the year, I have been sending out Carroll County 4-H Newsblasts with reminders of upcoming events. If you are interested in receiving these, note your e-mail address on your enrollment form or inform your leader or the Extension Office.

Also, if you would rather receive the newsletter by e-mail instead of by mail, please let us know. I am looking at this being an option in the coming year.



4-H News Continued...



Thank you to everyone that attended the 2009 Awards Rally. We had a great time and were happy to recognize those that had put so much time and hard work into their 4-H year. A special thank you to the County Council and those that came early and stayed late to help clean-up. Your efforts, help, and dedication mean so much!!



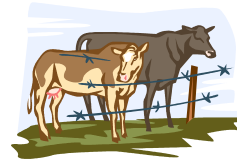
Our World in Focus Contest

Iowa 4-Hers are invited to submit photographs that focus on wild plants and animals of Iowa, the United States, and the world. Deadline for contest entries is Tuesday, December 1. An 8x10 copy of the photo and a required artist statement describing the subject matter should be sent via mail or email to UNI Museums in Cedar Falls. Prizes will be awarded and entries displayed at the opening reception on Saturday, Jan. 9 at 2:00 p.m. For rules, entry forms, and mailing address visit http://www.uni.edu/museum/calendar/photo_contest/index.html.



Save the Date

Plans are underway to hold another 4-H Day at the ISU Women's Basketball game versus Kansas State on February 27th, 2010 (7pm). Ticket prices are \$15/person and it includes admission, food & drink at a pre-game tailgate party, and an exclusive Cyclone 4-H t-shirt.



Beef Weigh-Ins

Weigh-ins for Market Beef will be Saturday, January 2, 2010, from 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. at the Sara Lee Hog Buying Station NW of Carroll (same place as last year). **All non-state beef will weigh-in from 9 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and all State or Ak-Sar-Ben nominated beef will be weighed in after.**

All market beef animals must be weighed in at the Carroll County weigh-in to be eligible to show next summer. Please bring \$1.25 for each ear tag needed. If you are planning on going to the State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben, the cost is \$5.00 for verification.

Breed Steers for State Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben must have a legible tattoo in their ear (preferably in the left ear). The breed, tattoo, and sire name or registration number must be recorded on the verification form. **This information should be brought with you to the weigh-in.**

Please listen to KCIM/KKRL for any changes or postponements due to weather.

Breeding Beef Identification Forms are available at the Extension Office and are due May 15, 2010.



Bake Sale

The County Council will be holding a bake sale to raise money for "Adopt a Family" for Christmas. The bake sale will be Saturday, December 12, 2009, at K-Mart. Anyone wanting to donate food for the bake sale can bring their pre-priced items to the Extension Office by noon on Friday, December 11. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office at 712-792-2364. Thank you in advance for your support!!

4-H News Continued...



Scholarship Opportunities

West Central is pleased to announce a college scholarship program for the sons and daughters of West Central members. West Central feels that it is important to encourage and support youth who are interested in pursuing a career in agriculture or an ag-related field.

The "Excellence in Agriculture" program awards four \$1500 scholarships for any accredited post-secondary program.

Scholarship Requirements:

1. Applicant and/or parent must be a voting member, in good standing, of West Central.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior and graduate in the spring of the 2009-2010 school year.
3. Applicant must have a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale through his/her junior year.
4. Applicant must pursue a career in agriculture or enter an ag-related field of study at any accredited post-secondary school of his or her choice.
5. Dependents of directors and officers of West Central are not eligible to apply for these scholarships.

For scholarship applications contact the Extension Office at 712-792-2364. Applications must be returned to any West Central office by **February 12, 2010**, to be eligible.

Continue to watch for 4-H Scholarship information on the website:
www.extension.iastate.edu/carroll/kidsteens.htm.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

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Nov 16	County Council Meeting-6:00 p.m. at the Extension Office
Nov 26-27	University Holiday-Extension Office Closed
Dec 1	Re-Enrollments and Medical Release Forms due to the Extension Office
Dec 12	County Council Bake Sale at K-Mart
Dec 24-25	University Holiday-Extension Office Closed
Jan 1	University Holiday-Extension Office Closed
Jan 2	Beef Weigh-Ins-9 a.m.-11:30 a.m.-Sara Lee Hog Buying Station

Extension programs are available to all without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability.

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