



BOONE COUNTY 4-H NEWS

October & November 2023

A Note from Natalie Hedlund, County 4-H Coordinator:

Don't forget to get re-enrolled in 4-H!! The URL for 4honline is <https://v2.4honline.com/> If you would like detailed instructions, check out this website <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/4honline-information-families-and-leaders>

Program Development Fee will be \$25/ member this year until December 31st. On January 1st, the Program Development Fee will increase to \$45. Financial assistance is available upon completion of an [application](#). January 1st, we will stop sending emails to families that have not re-enrolled yet. That means that you will not receive information about upcoming educational programs, weigh ins, etc.

National 4-H Week—October 1-7. Wednesday is wear your 4-H shirt day!

The Boone County 4-H Council will be holding their annual 4-H Halloween Party for 4th-8th graders on Sunday, October 29th from 6:30 - 8:00 pm at the Boone County Fairgrounds. Wear your costumes and play some fun hands-on games led by the Boone County 4-H Council!

If adults or youth are interested in joining a Swine, Sheep/Meat Goat, or Beef committee please contact Jess Soderstrum to find out how to get involved. 515-432-3882 | jlsoder@iastate.edu

Beef Committee meeting is October 17th at 6pm

Sheep/Meat Goat Committee meeting is October 19th at 6pm

*As always, please let me know if you have any questions regarding 4-H!
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Awards Selection

The Records and Recognition Taskforce members enjoyed reviewing **44 record books**, 12 Spirit Award nominations, 6 ICARE Award nominations and 7 scholarship applications in an effort to select this year's award recipients. They also reviewed Participation Summaries from 60 4-H'ers to review for **121 project awards**!

Throughout this process, the taskforce created a list of comments to share with 4-H'ers of how they could improve their record keeping process:

Be sure to put everything you've done on your **Yearly Participation Summary** as this is the first thing looked at during awards selection. Please remember to use the Boone County Yearly Participation Summary since it is easier to read and understand. Do NOT use the Yearly Summary from Iowa 4-H.

Your projects goals should continue to progress each year. Make sure you are setting goals that allow you to grow in that project area and that your goals include a timeline. The same goal each year doesn't show growth.

Remember that your goal needs to be something that you can control. A goal to get a purple ribbon is not something that you can control. You can't control what the judge thinks therefore that is not a good goal.

A huge **THANK YOU** goes out to all the leaders and taskforce members who spent hours reviewing records and selecting 4-H award recipients.

4-H AWARDS DAY

Sunday, November 12, 2023 | 2:00 PM

Boone County Fairgrounds Community Building



Youth awards to be presented include:

Bronze, Silver and Gold Project Awards
Intermediate & Senior Merit Award
Intermediate & Senior Achievement Award
Leader of Tomorrow Award
George Leonard Memorial Award
Junior, Intermediate and Senior Spirit Award
ICARE Award
Outstanding Sixer Award
Outstanding Freshman Award
Outstanding Graduate Award

Scholarships to be presented include:

Joyce Safly & Julianne Blomgren Memorial
Lyle & Alice Flynn Memorial
Boone County 4-H Alumni
Helen Jean Bice Memorial
Belle Cleaveland Memorial

Adult awards to be presented include:

4-H Alumni
Friend of 4-H
Meritorious Service
Fran Thompson Outstanding Leader

The Boone County 4-H Council will be holding a Bake Sale during 4-H Award's Day to raise money for the fun events that they plan including 4-H Fun Night and Ag Olympix. The Bake Sale will be by Free Will Donation.



Interested in photography?

Iowa 4-H Camera Corps is a talented group of youth photographers working together to make beautiful, powerful, and creative photographs of communities from across the state of Iowa.

It is a unique opportunity to practice your photography skills and receive public recognition and juror feedback on your work.

All youth from all counties are welcome to join Iowa 4-H Camera Corps. We want to help you become the best photographers you can be!



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Are you interested in photography? It's not too late to get involved in Iowa 4-H Camera Corps! 📷

Learn more and sign-up today

➡ <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/.../iowa-4-h-camera-corps>



4-H HALLOWEEN PARTY

OCTOBER 29

6:30 - 8:00 PM

BOONE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Open to 4th-8th Graders
Wear your costumes!



New Volunteer Training

When: October 14th | 9:00 am — Noon

Who: All new 4-H club leaders

Where: Boone County Extension Office

Why: Volunteer orientation and training is a crucial component to the success of 4-H volunteers. This New Leader Training is designed to give you a better working knowledge of positive youth development, the Iowa 4-H Equation, and tools that will help you be more confident and capable in your role working with youth.

Registration: Register online

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volunteertraining>





Service Sunday - Share a photo of service you have done in 4-H



Memory Monday - 4-H is a family affair - share a family 4-H memory



Giving Tuesday - Consider donating to the Iowa 4-H Giving Day



Wear it Wednesday - Wear your 4-H shirt



Throw back Thursday - Share a photo of 4-H in the past



Fair Friday - Share a photo or story from fair



Thankful Saturday - Share a note of thanks to a 4-H volunteer



Nutcracker + STEM Opportunities

Youth are invited to a FREE magical performance of the Nutcracker Ballet + STEM on December 8 at 12:30 PM at Stephens Auditorium in Ames, Iowa! This program is designed for elementary-aged youth to highlight the connections between STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and the arts. There is a wide variety of ways youth can participate in addition to attending the performance. More information can be found on the [Nutcracker Ballet and STEM webpage](#)

Virtual Youth Horse Judging Clinic

Iowa 4-H alumna Makenzie Berkland will be presenting a 6-week online course designed as an introduction to competitive horse judging. Weekly, 2-hour sessions will begin on Sunday, October 15, and run through November 19. Through the course, youth will look at popular classes, review rules, see good and poor examples, practice oral reasons, and much more! The clinic will cost \$35 per participant. The registration link and more information can be found [online](#). Questions? Contact Dr. [Peggy Auwerda](#).

iLuminate Registration

Iowa 4-H youth and their chaperones are invited to register for [iLuminate online](#) now. In partnership with Stephens Auditorium, 200 free tickets are available to Iowa 4-H. There are 100 tickets available for the [show only](#) and 100 tickets for the [show and workshop](#). All tickets are available on a first come first serve basis. At the registration site, you will be able to choose which option you prefer. Both the workshop and show are on Saturday, October 21, at Stephens Auditorium in Ames, Iowa. Questions? Contact [Sara Nelson](#).

Applications are due February 1st...Start planning now!

STATE 4-H RECOGNITION DAY

State 4-H Recognition is the process in which senior 4-H members in grades 9-12 can apply to be selected for special statewide opportunities such as awards and trips. The purpose of this event is to provide an avenue for youth recognition and to provide young people with an opportunity to practice and grow leadership, communications, and college and career readiness skills through application and interview activities.

Opportunities:

- National Conference
- National Congress
- SESS Ambassador
- State Council
- Iowa 4-H Reporters
- Teen Influencers for Equity and Inclusion
- State Project Area
- STEM Leadership Accelerator



Find out more:

www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/recognition-opportunities



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Fun Activities

Can take Exhibits to Fair

Learn amazing life skills

Hang Out With Friends

Make New Friends

and so much more!!



2023/2024 Clover Kids Activities

October 2023

November 2023

December 2023

January 2024

February 2024

March 2024

April 2024

May 2024

Pumpkin Exploration

Lots Of Layers

Holiday Party

Snow Spectacular

Color Creation

Lines on Signs

Touch & Feel Texture

Day at the Fair



**For full schedule of classes, more information,
or to sign up via 4Honline please visit the
Clover Kids website**

[https://www.extension.iastate.edu/](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/clover-kids)

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High School Study Abroad Scholarship Deadlines

Expand your horizons – study abroad! The U.S. Department of State offers fully funded opportunities for American high school students to study abroad for two to seven weeks, or an academic year. Students live with host families, engage with local schools, and gain skills to be competitive in the global workforce. Previous language study is not required for most programs. Learn more at exchanges.state.gov/highschool.



CBYX | Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange

www.exchanges.state.gov/cbyx

Explore German culture and language

- » **Application Deadline:** Nov. 1, 2023
- » **Length:** Academic year
- » **Scholarship:** Fully funded



FLEX ABROAD | Future Leaders Exchange Abroad

www.discoverflex.org/flex-abroad

Study in Georgia, Kazakhstan, or Poland

- » **Application Deadline:** Dec. 6, 2023
- » **Length:** Academic year
- » **Scholarship:** Fully funded



NSLI-Y | National Security Language Initiative for Youth

www.nsliforyouth.org

Immerse yourself in Arabic, Indonesian, Mandarin, Hindi, Korean, Persian, Russian, or Turkish

- » **Application Deadline:** Nov. 2, 2023
- » **Length:** Six-seven weeks in the summer or full academic year
- » **Scholarship:** Fully funded



YES ABROAD | Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Abroad

www.yes-abroad.org

Study in the Middle East, Africa, Asia, or Europe

- » **Application Deadline:** Dec. 6, 2023
- » **Length:** Academic year
- » **Scholarship:** Fully funded



YOUTH AMBASSADORS

www.youthambassadorsprogram.org

Learn about civic education, serve your community, and develop leadership skills in the Caribbean and South America

- » **Application Deadline:** Nov. 13, 2023
- » **Length:** Two-three weeks in summer
- » **Scholarship:** Fully funded

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