November 2014

Dear 4-H Families:

The 4-H year is off to a good start! Many of you have already completed the re-enrollment process, but if you have not, be sure and get it done by December 1. If you do not complete re-enrollment, you will not receive the newsletter and other important 4-H information. Instructions on how to complete the process are included in this newsletter.

Sincerely,

Jill Mims- County Youth Coordinator

**Roun-Da-Vu**
The Cedar Reading Rockers will be hosting Roun-Da-Vu, the County 4-H awards ceremony, on Sunday, November 9 at 6:00 p.m. in Farnhamville at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 805 Garfield Avenue. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend.

For a fun challenge, the Cedar Reading Rockers will be conducting a coin war among clubs with all money collected going to the Salvation Army’s Red Bucket campaign. As clubs arrive, there will be containers with each club’s name on it where families can deposit their coins. The club with the most money contributed will receive a prize.

**Citizen Washington Focus (CWF)**
Citizenship Washington Focus 2015 is a nine-day trip for 4-H youth in grades 9-12 which provides a setting to experience both leadership and citizenship in an up-close, unique way at the National 4-H Center. Youth who have participated in previous trips reported CWF as the single most educational highlight of their 4-H career.

The 2015 trip will take place June 5-13. Members of 4-H and adult chaperones will travel by chartered bus to Washington D.C. Trip highlights: Flight 93 Memorial, Gettysburg Battlefield, Mount Vernon, Iwo Jima Memorial, night view of Washington D.C., Arlington National Cemetery, FDR Memorial, Capitol Hill, Union Station, Air Force Memorial or Twilight Tattoo, National Cathedral or Smithsonian Zoo, theater production, National Mall, Smithsonian Museums and Holocaust Museum.

The trip fee is $1,550. This includes lodging, transportation, tour site admissions and most meals. Registration and a $490 deposit will be required to secure a spot. Registration is now open and closes November 15. To learn more about the trip and to get registration information visit: [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/cwf](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/cwf)

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Holiday Cards for Military Personnel
Garfield Gleamers 4-H member Kaylynn Kruckenberg is asking once again for help from 4-H clubs to write holiday cards to military personnel. Leaders who are willing to have members participate will receive blank holiday cards at the Leaders Meeting on October 21 and are asked to return them to the Extension office by Monday, November 17.

Any 4-H member who would like to help Kaylynn by writing more cards can call the Extension office and request the number of cards you would like. Please return completed cards to the Extension office by Monday, November 17.

The American Soybean Association Scholarship
The American Soybean Association is offering a $5,000 scholarship to a high school senior pursuing a degree in agriculture for the 2015-16 year. The American Soybean Association website: http://soygrowers.com/asa-seeks-candidates-soy-scholarship-fall/ has all of the details along with the scholarship application. Applications are accepted September 20 through November 20, 2014. The recipient will receive the scholarship and he/she and a parent will receive a trip to the Commodity Classic in Phoenix in February, 2015.

A parent or grand-parent must be a member of the American Soybean Association. If someone is not a member and would like to join, please contact Randy Souder of Rockwell City at rsouder@wildblue.net or 515/571-1430. Randy Souder will be at the Commodity Classic and would love to introduce a winner from Northwest Iowa.

DuPont Pioneer Seed Grant
The DuPont Pioneer Seed Grants are back for Fall 2014 and Spring 2015. Applications for Fall 2014 are being accepted now through November 15, 2014. Applications should be turned into the ISU Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County Office by November 15. Spring applications will be due in March.

You can find information, tips for applicants, and applications for these grants on the Iowa 4-H website at: www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/pioneergrants Grants will be awarded for anywhere from $50 to $500 but typically will not exceed half of the cost of the total project, as groups are encouraged to work at obtaining local support as a match. Successful projects are those that enlist partnerships with other community entities, demonstrate engagement by the full 4-H club, and make a positive impact on the community. Send questions regarding the DuPont Pioneer Seed Grants to Brenda Allen at: bsallen@iastate.edu
How to Complete the Re-Enrollment Process
* Go to: iowa.4honline.com (You might want to bookmark this page)

* Click “I have a profile” Enter your family email address that was provided to the Extension Office.

* Enter your password that your family has chosen. If you forgot your password choose “I forgot my password” and then click send my password. Open your email browser and find the email from 4HOnline and locate your temporary password. Return to 4H Online and Click “I have a profile” and re-type your email and the new password that was just sent. Paste or type your password exactly as sent by 4HOnline as it is case sensitive. * Choose “Family” from the “Role” drop-down box. Click log in.

* You can update your password if you had forgotten it but if you remembered it you will skip this step.

* You will be taken to the Member list which includes all family members enrolled in 4H: members, leaders, and volunteers. Click “Edit” to the right of the “Inactive” member listed. On the Personal Information screen, scroll to the bottom of the page and click “Enroll for 2014-2015”. Now you will have an editable Personal Information screen. Please complete all information that applies to you. Fields in BOLD are required. When you have completed this page, click “Continue”.

*This brings you to the Additional Information page. All fields are required, when you have completed this page click “Continue”.

* This brings you to the Health Form. Check all health conditions and allergies that apply. When you have completed this page, click “Continue”.

* Your primary club will be listed and then click “Continue”. If you wish to add or delete projects you may do so at this point. Hit Submit Enrollment Form. Your enrollment status will show “Pending”. Your enrollment will be marked “Active” when the CYC accepts your enrollment.

Upcoming Events:
Nov. 9- Roun-Da-Vu at 6:00 p.m. in Farnhamville
Nov. 15- CWF registration due; DuPont grant application due
Nov. 17- Holiday Cards for Military Personnel due
Nov. 20- Last day to apply for American Soybean Association Scholarship
Nov. 27 & 28- ISU Extension and Outreach office closed for the holiday
Dec. 1- Re-enrollments due
Dec. 24 & 25- ISU Extension and Outreach office closed for the holiday
Jan. 1- ISU Extension and Outreach office closed for the holiday
Jan. 3- Beef Weigh-In