September 2015

Dear 4-H Families:

It’s time to start a new school year and that means it is time to start a new 4-H year as well. Be thinking of friends and neighbors who might be interested in joining 4-H and ask them to attend your next club meeting. Remember, anyone who is in 4th through 12th grade may join.

Re-enrollment will start September 2. The 4HOnline database will be down for maintenance until September 2 but after that date, you can go into 4HOnline and complete the enrollment process any time. There will be a few changes, but read the screen and follow the instructions and you should not have difficulty. If you do have problems, please contact the Extension office at 712-297-8611 or contact your club leader for assistance.

If you have any questions about anything in the newsletter or about the 4-H program, please contact me. I can be reached at the office, 712-297-8611, or by email, jmims@iastate.edu.

Sincerely,

Jill Mims- County Youth Coordinator

**Fall Leaders Meeting:** A meeting for all 4-H Leaders will be held from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 1 at the Extension office. Materials for the new 4-H year will be distributed and pizza will be served. Please call the office at 712-297-8611 and confirm if you can attend or not.

**Record Book and County Award Applications Due:** Record books and award applications are due to your club leader by September 15. In the August newsletter there were detailed instructions to assist you with completing your record book but if you have questions, please contact your club leader or the Extension office.

**County Youth Council:** Ten youth have submitted their application for the 2015-2016 County Youth Council. If you would like to be on council and you have not submitted your application yet, please do so by our next meeting, September 13. You must submit your application or you will not be on council. The application can be found in the August newsletter or at: www.extension.iastate.edu/calhoun/4h

The next County Youth Council meeting will be held on Sunday, September 13 from 4:00- 6:00 p.m. at the ISU Extension and Outreach- Calhoun County office. Plans for a 4-H Find Out event have been started and we will finalize individual responsibilities at the meeting.
Post Fair Input Requested: In the August newsletter, I asked for input concerning the Calhoun County Expo. As of today, I have received no replies. Please take the time to share your input, good or bad. The Calhoun County Expo is your fair and if you want to see changes, you need to voice your opinion.

Please send any thoughts, comments, or suggestions by September 15 to:

ISU Extension and Outreach - Calhoun County
521 4th St., PO Box 233
Rockwell City, IA 50579

I will share all responses with the Expo Fairboard. If you would like someone to contact you, please make sure you include your name and contact information. Or if you would prefer to stay anonymous, that is fine as well. Thank you in advance for your input.

State Fair Results: As I mentioned in the last newsletter, Calhoun had several 4-H members participate in the Iowa State Fair and several of them received special awards and top honors. Please remember to congratulate them on their hard work the next time you see them.

**Beef**

*Catie Collison, Jackson Pioneers*: Beef Showmanship- Blue, Market Beef (Angus)- Blue, Beef of Merit (high quality grade)- Grand Champion  
*Kara Collison, Logan Larks*: Beef Showmanship- Blue, Breeding Beef (Angus)- 1 Purple and 1 Blue  
*Macy Macke, Logan Larks*: Beef Showmanship- Purple, Breeding Beef (Hereford)- Blue  
*Payton Macke, Logan Larks*: Beef Showmanship- Blue, Breeding Beef (Hereford)- Blue  
*Rylan Richardson, Jackson Pioneers*: Breeding Beef (Commercial Heifer)- Blue

**Sheep**

*Chase Pibal, Garfield Gleamers*: Breeding Sheep (Black Face Commercial Ewes)- 2 Blue; Market Sheep (Black Face Market Lambs)- 4 Blue  
*Hallie VanMeter, North Butler Blazers*: Breeding Sheep (Black Face Commercial Ewes)- 2 Blue, Market Sheep (Black Face Market Lambs)- 3 Blue

**Swine**

*Kara Collison, Logan Larks*: Breeding Swine (Commercial Gilts)- Blue, Market Swine (Crossbred Market Barrows)- Blue  
*Payton Macke, Logan Larks*: Breeding Swine (Commercial Gilts)- Purple

**Goats**

*Macy Macke, Logan Larks*: Market Breeding Goats- Purple  
*Grant Theesfeld, North Butler Blazers*: Market Meat Goats- 1 Purple, 1 Blue, and 1 Red, Market Breeding Goats- 2 Blue
Static
Emma Anderson, Manson Craters: Visual Arts-Blue
Jared Birks, Garfield Gleamers: Mechanics- Red
Olivia Hanlon, Cedar Reading Rockers: Child Development- Blue, Citizenship- Blue, and Leadership- Blue
Colin Johnson, Logan Larks: Photography- Blue
Kaylynn Kruckenberg, Garfield Gleamers: Home Improvement- Blue, and Citizenship- Blue
Becca Krueger, Manson Craters: Home Improvement- Red
Christopher Krueger, Manson Craters: Visual Arts- Blue
Nathan Krueger, Manson Craters: Woodworking- Blue
Delaney Marine, Manson Craters: Animal Science- Blue
Jacy McAlexander, Logan Larks: Photography- Blue and Photography Award, Health- Blue, and Communication Posters - Seal of Excellence
Anna McChesney, Logan Larks: Horticulture- Blue, and Food & Nutrition- Blue and Judges Choice Award
Ellie McChesney, Logan Larks: Visual Arts- Red, and Home Improvement- Blue and Judges Choice Award
Courtney Melohn, North Butler Blazers: Woodworking- Blue
Jacob Nicholson, Logan Larks: Photography- Red, Home Improvement- Blue, and Food & Nutrition- Blue
Chase Pibal, Garfield Gleamers: Food & Nutrition- Blue, Sewing and Needle Arts- Blue, and
Communication Posters- Seal of Merit
Lucas Pontius, Cedar Reading Rockers: Crop Production- Blue, and Consumer Management- Blue
Jade Ridgely, Logan Larks: Sewing and Needle Arts- Blue
Kaylynn Ridgely, Logan Larks: Photography- Blue
Kelsey Strandberg, Manson Craters: Horticulture- Blue, and Home Improvement- Blue
Rachel Wedemeyer, The Union: Food & Nutrition- Blue and Judges Choice Award
Anastasia Wiederin-Sackfield, The Union: Photography- Red

Communication Events
Jared Birks, Garfield Gleamers, and Sam Musselman, Logan Larks: Educational Presentation- Seal of Recognition
Mitchell Clark, Jackson Pioneers: Educational Presentation- Seal of Merit
Mitchell Clark, Jackson Pioneers, and Chase Pibal, Garfield Gleamers: Working Exhibit- Seal of Merit
Olivia Hanlon, Cedar Reading Rockers: Educational Presentation- Seal of Merit
Colin Johnson, Logan Larks: Educational Presentation- Seal of Merit
Logan Larks Club: Share The Fun- Participation
Jacy McAleander, Logan Larks, and Colin Johnson, Logan Larks: Working Exhibit- Seal of Excellence
Chase Pibal, Garfield Gleamers: Educational Presentation- Seal of Excellence
Ashley Strandberg, Manson Craters: Share The Fun- Participation
Kelsey Strandberg, Manson Craters: Share The Fun- Participation; Educational Presentation- Seal of Excellence
Horticulture:

Jacy McAlexander, Logan Larks: Sage, three sprigs- Blue; Kohlrabi, white, three specimens- 1 Blue and 1 Red; Collection of four different herb species- Purple, 1st; Potatoes, red, three specimens- Blue; Rosemary, three sprigs- 2 Purple, 1st and 2nd; Any other kind of vegetable, not included in any previously named class, three specimens- 2 Purple; Potatoes, white, three specimens- 1 Purple and 1 Blue; County Vegetable Platter- Blue; Potatoes, yellow/gold, three specimens- Blue; Tomato, cocktail type (bite-size), grape, red, six specimens (includes Juliet)- 1 Blue and 1 Red; Any other individual herb- 1 Blue and 1 Purple, 2nd; Ornamental pepper plant in container- 1 Red and 1 Blue, 2nd; Parsley, three sprigs- 2 Blue, 2nd; Tomato, cherry type, red, large type (one inch or more in diameter), six specimens- 1 Red and 1 White; Tomato, cherry type, other color, small type (less than one inch in diameter), six specimens- Purple, 2nd, and 1 Red; Peppers, hot, any other color variety, three specimens (includes Cherry Bomb, Mariachi, etc.)- 2 Red; Mint, three sprigs- 2 Red; Basil, three sprigs- Red; Chives, three sprigs- 2 Blue, 2nd; Cucumbers, for slicing, three specimens- 1 Purple and 1 White

David Wedemyer, The Union: Cucumbers, for slicing, three specimens- Red; Beets, globe, three specimens- Red; Tomato, cherry type, red, small type (less than one inch in diameter), six specimens- White, Jumbo Squash, any other- 5th; Sweet Corn, yellow and white, three ears exhibited with husks open on one side- White; Any other kind of vegetable, not included in any previously named class, three specimens- 2 Red; Cabbage, round, one head- Red; Squash, winter, acorn, green, one specimen- Purple; County Vegetable Platter- Blue; Kohlrabi, white, three specimens- Purple, 2nd; Cucumbers, dill, three to five inches, three specimens- White; Beans, snap, six specimens- Red

Rachel Wedemeyer, The Union: Parsley, three sprigs- Blue; Sage, three sprigs- Blue; Kohlrabi, white, three specimens- Purple, 1st; Sweet Corn, yellow and white, three ears exhibited with husks open on one side- White; Any other kind of vegetable, not included in any previously named class, three specimens- 1 Blue and 1 Red; Mint, three sprigs- Purple, 2nd; County Vegetable Platter- Blue; Squash, winter, acorn, green, one specimen- Purple, 2nd; Tomato, cherry type, red, small type (less than one inch in diameter), six specimens- Red; Any other individual herb- Purple, 1st; Beans, snap, six specimens- Red; Beets, globe, three specimens- Blue; Cucumbers, for slicing, three specimens- Red; Basil, three sprigs- Blue

Youth Fishing: A youth fishing event will be held Saturday, September 26 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the recreational area south of Rockwell City on Highway 4. Bring your lawn chair and fishing gear if you have it. If not, bait and poles will be available. Contests will be held and prizes will be awarded.

Pre-registration is not required but appreciated. To register, call the Extension office at 712-297-8611.

Roun-Da-Vu: Mark your calendars now and plan to attend Roun-Da-Vu, the county 4-H awards program, on Sunday, November 1 at 2:00 p.m. in the Expo Center in Rockwell City. The Manson Craters 4-H Club will be hosting.

National 4-H Week: During National 4-H Week show your 4-H pride by wearing a 4-H shirt on Wednesday, October 7.
Upcoming Events:
September 1: Leaders Meeting 6:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. at the Extension office
September 13: County Council Meeting 4:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. at the Extension office
September 26: Youth Fishing 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m. at the pond south of Rockwell City on Hwy 4
September 27: 4-H Find Out 4:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m. at the Extension office
October 4-10: National 4-H Week
October 11: County Council 4:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. at the Extension office
November 1: Roun-Da-Vu 2:00 p.m. at the Expo Center in Rockwell City