Congratulations 2015 Iowa State Fair Exhibitors!

Good Luck 2015 Clay County Fair Exhibitors!

Record Books & Award Applications are Due Tuesday, September 15th by 4:30pm!

State Fair Exhibitors, Come Pick Up Your Exhibits and Judge Evaluations:

Bailey Godwin
Megan Palmer
Kara Schroeder

Iowa State Fair Results will be up very soon on the Greene County Extension website, check them out!

Like the Greene County 4-H Facebook Page:
Be sure to like the Greene County 4-H Facebook Page for upcoming events and information! You may ask questions on the Facebook page and Extension Staff will answer as soon as possible.

2015-2016 Upcoming Club Meeting Times:
Please check with your club leader about the first meeting for your club. Leaders, if you plan to use the Extension Meeting Room, please come by the office to schedule and check on your meeting times for the 2015-2016 year.
September 4-H Updates

Re-Enroll Online NOW:
This year the re-enrollment process is ALL ONLINE. Extension Staff are available to help you enroll online if you have questions about the process. If you need extra help, plan to make an appointment with Extension Staff to enroll online. The online re-enrollment process AND the re-enrollment fee are BOTH due Monday, November 16th, 2015. After November 16th there will be a late fee of $25 per family. Please go to the Iowa 4-H page and you will find the re-enrollment help sheet on the 4hOnline tab under “About 4hOnline”. If you have questions, call the Extension Office during office hours – Monday – Friday 8:00am-4:30pm or e-mail sarahjo@iastate.edu.

Step to Follow for Re-Enrollment:
1- Complete online enrollment information through your family account.
2- Make sure your enrollment status says “pending” when you are done. If it says “incomplete” you need to go back through and make sure you completed the correct fields.
3- Bring your $15 Enrollment Fee to the Extension Office.(make checks payable to, “Greene County Extension”)
4- Extension Staff will change your status to “active” when you complete the online enrollment process.
5- Members need to complete the online enrollment AND the enrollment fee payment by Monday, November 16th. A late of $25.00 per family will be in place after November 16th.

New Member Enrollment in 4-H:
All new members need to enroll with Sarah. If you know of any new members or have a new member in your family joining 4-H, please make an appointment with Sarah.

2015-2016 Enrollment Fees:
For the past several years, four local donors have given generously to the Greene County 4-H program. Instead of the regular $35 annual enrollment fee, Greene County 4-H’ers have to pay only $15 per member to be in 4-H. If you haven’t thanked our donors for helping pay your program fee for the 2014-2015 4-H year, please send thank you notes to the individuals below or consider taking time at your next club meeting to write thank you notes as a group. Tell them how much you gained from 4-H in the last year!

- Greene County Environmental Habitat Corporation, c/o Dan Towers, Greene Co. Courthouse, Jefferson, IA 50129
- Heartland Co-op of Rippey, c/o Jared Mills, 403 Percival St, Rippey IA 51462
- Hawn Family Farms, c/o Doug Hawn, 650-190th St. E33, Scranton, IA 51462

Financial Assistance Available:
The Iowa 4-H Foundation and the Greene County 4-H Foundation both provide funds for youth that may need financial assistance to participate in the 4-H program. Families who may need help paying enrollment fees or participating in a camp or trip are eligible, especially if they meet certain eligibility, like free or reduced lunches. If you are interested in learning more, please contact the Greene County Extension Office at 515-386-2138.
Greene County 4-H Updates

Greene County 4-H Shooting Sports: Everyone is invited to attend the Greene County Outdoor Day. The event will take the place of the September Shooting Sports 4-H Club Meeting. The event will be held on Saturday, September 19th, 2015, at Slininger Woods. All participants need to pre-register by Tuesday, September 15th, by calling Dean Ross at 515-386-4402. Youth ages 8-17 MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian. It will be from 10am – 4:00pm, and check in will be at 9:30am. Lunch will also be included and all equipment will be provided for free. Activities include: black powder rifle shooting, shot gun shooting, rifle shooting, archery shooting, trapping demonstration, & other outdoor activities. You do not have to be in the Shooting Sports 4-H Club or in 4-H to participate in this event.

2015 4-H Awards Ceremony has been tentatively set for Sunday, November 8th, and the location and time are still to be determined.

Record Keeping & Awards: Record what you have learned and accomplished this past year in 4-H by completing your 4-H record book! Record keeping forms, help sheets, award packets, and examples can be found at the Extension Office and also on the Greene County 4-H website. Record Books and Awards are due to the Extension Office by 4:30pm on Tuesday, September 15th, 2015, in order to be eligible for county awards.

2014-2015 New Member Binders: All youth that were new members last 4-H year (2014-2015) should receive a New Member Binder. This binder is to help get you started on the 4-H recordkeeping and awards process. You may stop by the Extension Office and pick up your binder or your club leader may pick up binders as well.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK is October 4th-10th

What is your club doing to spread the word?!?

How can you get involved throughout the week?

- Decorate Store Windows in Greene County
  - Please go into your communities and let people know that it is National 4-H Week! The club that wins will be announced at the 4-H Awards Ceremony in November and will also receive a free pizza party!

- Wear your 4-H T-shirt during National 4-H Week!
  - What a perfect week to show off your 4-H green by wearing your 4-H shirts! You never know who could be in the schools looking for 4-H shirts!

- Refer a New Member to Greene County 4-H
  - Do you know someone interested in 4-H? When they complete their enrollment information and let me know what 4-Her they were referred by, that 4-Her will get their name into a drawing to win prizes!

- Work at the Greene County Ram Volleyball Game
  - We will be rounding up youth and adults to work in the concession stand for the October 13th volleyball game. Wear your 4-H green!

If you have more ideas of contests and ways to spread the word about 4-H, let us know!
### 2015 4-H Awards & Record Keeping Help Sheet:

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<th>Type of Awards Available</th>
<th>Age Able to Apply For</th>
<th>Application Needed</th>
<th>Record Book Required</th>
<th>Who evaluates</th>
<th>Final Result/Outcome</th>
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<td>Participation Awards</td>
<td>4&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;-12&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Club leader</td>
<td>Merit or Excellence Award is given to selected members</td>
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<td>Project Awards</td>
<td>5&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; Grade &amp; Above</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Record book evaluation committee</td>
<td>Project Award(s) and pin(s) are given to selected members</td>
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<td>Overall Record Keeping Awards</td>
<td>4&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;-12&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Record book evaluation committee -- 2 evaluations</td>
<td>Overall &amp; Honorable Mention Awards are given to selected members <em>(Record Book Committee may nominate additional record books)</em></td>
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<td>Junior 4-H Spark Award</td>
<td>4&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;-6&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Record book evaluation committee</td>
<td>Selected winners are recognized</td>
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<td>Intermediate Flame Award</td>
<td>7&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;-8&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
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<td>Outstanding Intermediate Award</td>
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<td>9&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;-12&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
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<td>Major Life Skills Awards</td>
<td>9&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;-12&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>Yes + interview</td>
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**If you have more questions about the record keeping and awards process, please go to the website below.** You need to click on the “Record Keeping & Awards Page” to find the forms and help sheets the Youth Development Committee members have created to assist you. Be sure that you look at the Record Book Checklist and the Record Keeping & Awards Frequently Asked Questions Help Sheet. As always, there are copies of all forms available at the Greene County Extension Office. If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact the Extension Office at 515-386-2138. Record Books and Award Applications are due Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>!  
[http://www.extension.iastate.edu/greene/page/member-info](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/greene/page/member-info)
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Use this Record Keeping Evaluation Checklist Form to make sure you fulfilled all the requirements for your record book. This is the same form that the Record Book Committee will be using to evaluate your records. This form along with all the others can be found at the Greene County Extension Office or at our webpage:

http://www.extension.iastate.edu/greene/page/member-info.

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| 1. Is there a cover page? Outside or inside the book?
  Did they include the following:
  - Photo of yourself
  - Name
  - Club(s) you participate in
  - 4-H level (Jr. Int. Sr.)
  - Number of years in 4-H
  - 4-H Year
  - Grade in school |
| 2. 4-H Participation Summary
  - Did you complete the summary of 4-H activities and involvement throughout the year?
  - Support material – newspaper clippings, photos, certificates, etc.
  - You may complete a 4-H story in addition or in place of this form. If they do, they need to touch base on all questions asked on the 4-H Participation Summary form |
| 3. Project Records
  - One project per record
  - Goals – Goals need to be stated in each project area. Did the goals evolve throughout the project, or were goals achieved as stated? What did you learn?
  - Support material – newspaper clippings, photos, certificates, etc.
  - Small Animal Projects need to complete the General Financial Summary on project record.
  - Livestock Large Animal Projects need to complete a Livestock Project Work sheet form for each project along with the project record. |
| BE SURE THAT YOU.....
  - Re-record on project record forms. Your county fair goal card/sheets can be added as support material but are not project records.
  - Record money that you spent on all of your projects either on the project record form or in the livestock worksheet. Remember, even things out of your cupboard at home did cost at some point! |

Evaluators: Circle or insert what awards the 4-Her has applied for:

- Participation Award
  - Merit
  - Excellence

- Project Award(s)
  - List Projects:
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Overall Record Keeping Award

- Major Life Skills Award(s)
  - List Awards:
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List Additional Awards

After you have evaluated their record book, highlight the award(s) the 4-Her should receive.

Overall Comments:

Evaluation complete by (circle): CLUB LEADER or RECORD BOOK COMMITTEE MEMBER or STAFF

Evaluated by: ______________ Date Evaluated: ______________
Evaluated by: ______________ Date Evaluated: ______________
4-H NEWSLETTER

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possibilities
Imagine a world of 4-H where you are side by side with adults, making an impact on our world. Step it up and get involved today.