



## JASPER COUNTY 4-H MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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### Important Dates

**SEPTEMBER 10 –  
RECORD BOOKS DUE TO  
YOUR 4-H LEADER.**

**SEPTEMBER 14 –  
RECORD BOOKS DUE TO  
THE EXTENSION OFFICE.**

**OCTOBER 5-11 –  
NATIONAL 4-H WEEK**

**NOVEMBER 8 –  
AWARDS DAY –DMACC  
AUDITORIUM**

### THANK YOU!

The fair is over and a new 4-H year is upon us. Before we move full swing into the new year however, I want to take a minute to say thank you for making the fair so great and such a wonderful experience for all involved. The kids were awesome (as always). To the 4-H Leaders, parents and grandparents who spend countless hours helping their 4-H'ers prepare and get their projects to the fair THANK YOU! It really is the highlight of a lot of 4-H and FFA member's summer and it truly is a "family affair."

It certainly would not happen without the countless volunteers who spend so much of their own time to make the fair happen, so if a 4-H leader, fairboard member, superintendent, or anyone helped you along the way, please take the time to send them a thank you and let them know how much you appreciate their help. A lot of you commented positively on the new additions and changes to the fair & fairgrounds this year. That is the result of the hard work & many volunteer hours spent by the fairboard and superintendents.

**4-H**  
GROWING TOGETHER

**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY**  
University Extension

## JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

County Council will meet Sunday Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at the Extension Office at 4:00 p.m. to “Kick Off” our new 4-H year. We have several members returning and hope to add some new faces to our group. If you are in grades 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> and would like to join us contact Stacey at the Extension Office for an application, or you can pick one up & fill it out at the meeting. 641-792-6433.

## PARADE WINNERS

Congratulations to the World Changers - 1<sup>st</sup> place 4-H float winner, and to the Poweshiek Partners - 2<sup>nd</sup> place, the Sherman Sunbeams - 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jasper County Showmen - 4<sup>th</sup>, and the Mustang Clovers and Hominy Ridge, who tied for Honorable Mention. Keep up the great work!

## COUNTY FAIR HERDSMANSHIP

Congratulations to Hominy Ridge for winning the Overall Herdsmanship Award. Other winners were...

Sheep– Lucky L’s - Llama – Hominy Ridge, Beef – Jolly Workers, Horse – Hominy Ridge - Dairy – PC Champs & Sherman Sunbeams, Rabbit – Newton FFA, Swine – Jolly Workers, Goat – C-M FFA. Great Job. All of you hard work paid off!

## STATE FAIR SPECIAL AWARDS

Meleisha Vos was recognized by the Iowa State Fair for her Sewing & Needle Arts Project. She received the “Outstanding Sewn Garment” Award, sponsored by “Threads” magazine for her blue flowered summer dress. Way to go Meleisha!

## CONGRATULATIONS STATE FAIR EXHIBITORS

### AG & NATURAL RESOURCES

Mason Jansen  
Hunter LeFleur  
Luke Zaabel  
**CREATIVE ARTS**  
Samantha Adams  
Joshua Adkison  
Isaac Altman  
Dakotah Bokhoven  
Kynleigh Colbert  
Cale Foster  
Shelby Foster  
Alexis Hardenbrook  
Codi Holdeman  
Payton Konek  
Marybeth Maggard  
Christine Nikkel  
Parker Schnell  
Tessa Van Maanen  
Marissa Vos  
Lauren Zaabel

### FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE

Emma Anderson

Charlize Birkenholtz  
Sara Dudley  
Ellie Dunsbergen  
Cale Foster  
Mason Jansen  
Kolten Johnson  
Emily Nook  
Riley Schnell  
Hanna Townley  
Emily Van Gorp  
Marissa Vos  
Meleisha Vos  
Lauren Zaabel

### PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Jenna Smith  
Marissa Vos  
Meleisha Vos  
Lauren Zaabel

### SCIENCE ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

Mallory Bell  
Alyssa Fick  
Joshua Ness

### CLOTHING EVENT

Jaclyn Michener

### EDUCATIONAL PRESENTAION

Jenna Smith  
Gerima Blair

### SHARE THE FUN

Codi Holdeman  
Emily Zahurones  
Levi Beardon

### WORKING EXHIBIT

Shannon Dunsbergen  
Marissa Vos  
Korie Jack & Taylor Guy  
Christine & Cheyenne Nikkel & Elizabeth Horn

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING  
AND LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CARING ADULTS

## RE-ENROLLMENTS (Sept 15 – Nov 1)

For the 2015/2016 4-H Year enrollments will again be done on-line. 4hOnline will be opened for re-enrollment beginning Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. Enroll by Nov 1<sup>st</sup> to ensure that you are receiving the newsletter and any other information you may need. **IMPORTANT-** We cannot make your account active until we have received payment, so after you have enrolled on-line please get your enrollment fee paid to your leader. If you need help with any of this you can call the Extension Office at 641-792-6433. **RE-ENROLLMENTS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE NOV. 1<sup>ST</sup>.**

## ENROLLMENT FEES

**FEES-**The State 4-H Fee is \$30 again this year, however, thanks to the Jasper County Extension Council, and a donation from the Mavis Geisler Penquite Charitable Organization, half of each 4-H'er's fee will be paid. This will make the total due from the 4-H'er \$15 per year and this is due with your enrollment on or before November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## PROJECT HOT SHEETS

Check it out! The project Hot Sheets are on the Extension Website and are designed to inform 4-H'ers & leaders about the different project areas. They are done and most of them are posted on their respective project webpages. There are still a few webpages under construction but those should be finished shortly. Click on <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects> and then click on the project areas listed in the right hand column. When you reach the specific project page, the Hot Sheet show up as a pdf file in the right hand column under [TIPS].

## READING AWARDS

4-H'ers can apply for the 4-H Reading Award by contacting the Extension Office and filling out a 4-H Reading Activity form. For this award you just need to have read 6 books and then fill out a short description of the book, characters, & the author's name. The form can also be found on our website.

## RECORDBOOKS

Record books are due to your leaders by September 10<sup>th</sup> and to the Extension & Outreach Office by September 14. If you are applying for a project award you will need to check the boxes of the award areas you are applying for (you may apply for up to three project awards) on the Project Award Application that is enclosed with this newsletter and return it with your book. If you are new to the recordbook process, the enclosed "4-H Record Keeping Guidelines" is a good resource that tells you what order your book should be in, how many goals you need to list for your age etc... All record keeping forms can be found on our website at [www.extension.iastate.edu/jasper](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/jasper) If you have any questions regarding record keeping please don't hesitate to ask your leader, or call the Extension and Outreach Office.

## OUR VISION

A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSTIVE CHANGE

## WOULD YOUR CLUB LIKE TO WIN A PIZZA PARTY?

For National 4-H week, October 4 - 10 lets promote 4-H by having a "Window Decorating Contest" and the winning club will receive a Pizza Party (or \$50 to put towards a pizza party).

Guidelines are:

1. Contact one or more businesses located in your club's community to see about decorating a window for the contest. Clubs can have more than one window. We really want to spread the word about 4-H!
2. After receiving permission decorate the window(s) with the following requirements:
  - Use the theme Join 4H Today!
  - List your club name and leader contact info and/or the ISU Jasper County Extension contact info ([www.extension.iastate.edu/jasper](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/jasper) 641-792-6433)
  - Make it known it is National 4-H week

## AWARDS PROGRAM

The Awards program will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup>, at DMACC in the auditorium, at 2:00 pm. Everyone is invited to attend. Even if you don't turn in a record book but would like to see what it's all about or support your fellow 4-H members that did please plan to join us. Refreshments will be provided.

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## IOWA STATE FAIR HERDSMANSHIP

The Jasper County beef exhibitors received all purples for their herdsmanship efforts in the beef barn, as did the Jasper County exhibitors in the sheep barn. Exhibitors in the other livestock barns also represented Jasper County well by receiving purples and blues. Keep up the awesome work!

## STATE FAIR PROJECTS ARE READY TO BE PICKED UP

The state fair projects are back in the office and need to be picked up. Please stop in as soon as possible to get your projects. Our office hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 to 4:30 and Fridays from 7:30 to 1:00. If you need to make other arrangements to pick up your project(s) contact Stacey at the Extension & Outreach Office.

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## 4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE, AND MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.

## STATE 4-H HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE – JEANNIE BOETCHER



Jeannie Boettcher has been involved with the 4-H program most of her life. At the age of nine she joined the Atomic Starlets and when her family moved one year later, she became a member of the Jolly Workers 4-H club and remained a member until graduating high school. She became an assistant 4-H leader of the Amboy Champions and the Jolly Workers in 1971, when her children joined 4-H. In 1994 Jeannie joined the fairboard and is currently serving her 21<sup>st</sup> year. While serving on the fairboard she has held the position of assistant superintendent and then superintendent of the 4-H building. Jeannie's family were the very first people to camp at the Jasper County Fair. Now there is an actual campground that accommodates over 100 families. Jeannie enjoys looking back over the changes of not only the fairgrounds, but also the 4-H project areas, and 4-H attire.

Jeannie's 4-H roots run deep. Both of her parents were 4-H leaders, all four siblings, as well as both of her children were 4-H members. Her grandchildren are involved in the fair through open class opportunities. It is safe to say that Jeannie Boettcher has and continues to be an asset to the 4H Program.

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## 4-H MEMBERS DONATE TO THE JASPER COUNTY FAIR



Rilyn Titus, Carter Lehrman, Addison Ross, & Aliviah Ross are pictured here presenting a check to fairboard president, Mike Guy, in the amount of \$250. The kids asked friends for donations to the fair instead of birthday presents and they donated the proceeds to the Jasper County Fairboard. 😊

## 4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH

## CLOVER KID KICK-OFF

Calling all students in K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade!!

Jasper County Super Clover Kids Kick-off

Informational Open House & Sign-up

Clover Kids is a 4-H Program for youth in grades kindergarten through third grade.

Clover Kids is fun and full of hands-on activities.

Date: September 8, 2015

Time: 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Place: Jasper County Extension Office

550 N 2nd Ave W – Newton

The cost for a year membership is \$15.00 to cover supplies.

Questions: Contact Kara at the Extension Office 641-792-6433.

## NEW HORSE PROJECT CLUB (for kids with or without a horse)

I am pleased to announce that Vicki Wade is starting up a new 4-H "Horseless Horse" Club. This club is designed for youth who are interested in learning about horses. Horse ownership is not necessary to belong to this club. It is also possible to belong to this club as a secondary club (meaning you still belong to your current club as well as this one). Meetings will involve equine education, farm/ranch visits, speakers, and fundraiser planning. Topics will vary from horse breeds, horse behavior, tacking up a horse, the process of preparing a horse and rider for the show ring, famous horses and handlers, careers with horses, ways to be involved in the equine industry without owning a horse as well as other subjects. I will be sending out more information on this club including a tentative schedule and Q and A sheet in the very near future. We are so happy to have Vicki back with our 4-H program and look forward to working with her as she gets this new club up and going. 😊

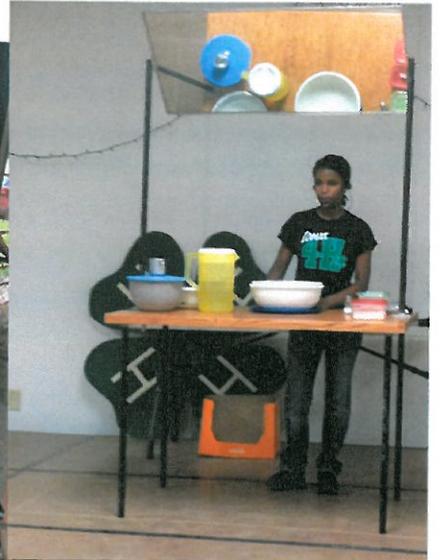
## NEW SPECIAL INTEREST CLUB LEADERS NEEDED

Are you a caring adult who enjoys mentoring youth? Do you have a passion to share your knowledge about either dogs or horses? If so, we have the perfect opportunity for you. We are looking for leaders or co-leaders for both our Canine Connection Club and our Equine Experience club. These are well established clubs and there are plenty of people to help you get started. If you are interested in this opportunity or know of someone who might be please contact me (Stacey) at the Extension & Outreach Office at 641-792-6433.

## MEAT JUDGING TEAM NEWS

We wish the Jasper County 4-H Meat Judging Team the best of luck as they travel to Iowa State University this Saturday, to compete in their very first state contest. The team recently traveled to Earlville, Iowa, where they practiced in an FFA contest against older members. They scored higher than all of the FFA teams there. I would say this club/team is off to a great start!

# JASPER COUNTY FAIR 2015



# Jasper County Project Awards Application



Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE AS OF LAST FALL \_\_\_\_\_

## Application Outline

1. Check box(es) of project area(s) below for which you are applying for an award, **please only apply for 3 areas.**
2. Return this application **with** your record keeping system to your 4-H leader by **Sept 10th.**

## Project Award Areas

### Agriculture & Natural Resources

- Beef
- Dairy
- Dairy Goat
- Dog
- Horse and Pony
- Poultry
- Rabbit
- Sheep
- Swine
- Cat
- Llama
- Meat Goat
- Environmental & Sustainability
- Outdoor Adventures
- Safety Education and Shooting Sports
- Horticulture

### Creative Arts

- Photography
- Music
- Visual Arts

### Participation Only

(not applying for a project award this year)

### Animals

- Pets (Birds, Fish, Gerbils, Guinea Pigs, Hamsters, Others)
- Animal Science
- Veterinary Science

### Family & Consumer Sciences

- Child Development
- Clothing
- Consumer Management
- Food and Nutrition
- Home Improvement

### Personal Development

- Citizenship
- Communication
- Leadership
- Self Determined

### Science & Technology

- Mechanics
- Woodworking
- Other Science, Engineering, and Technology
- Robotics

## 4-H RECORD KEEPING GUIDELINES

1. **Title Page** – A new title page is made each year. The title page introduces you. Include the following items:
  - a. Current photo
  - b. Your name
  - c. Club name
  - d. Years in 4-H
  - e. Grade in school
  - f. 4-H age category (Jr. Int. Sr.)
  
2. **4-H Yearly Summary** – The summary helps you summarize your participation in 4-H projects, local group involvement and at community, county, area, and state levels. (Participation Summaries will still be accepted for older members.) Pictures and clippings related to club events may be placed here.  
Examples: club meetings, camps, float, county and state fair non-project activities
  
3. **Project Records** – One form is needed for each project in which you are enrolled. Place inactive projects in the back of the book. Computer forms may be used.  
\*Each project area should be separated with a “tab” divider, and arranged and “tabbed” by year, with the most recent material on top in each area.  
Example: Food & Nutrition
  - 2002 – 2003
  - 2001 – 2002
 \*Goals are required for each project area.  
 Minimum requirements are as follows:
 

Juniors – one	Basic
Intermediates – two	Experienced
Seniors – three	Advanced

 \*Financial statements are required for intermediate and senior members.  
 Junior members must include income and expenses on livestock projects.  
 \*Project related photos, clippings, and exhibit information should be placed after the forms.

### Record Keeping Tips:

1. Be Neat.
2. Check spelling, grammar, and math.
3. Be sure to tell what you learned in each project throughout the year.
4. DO NOT include the following items: fair ribbons, feed tags, 4-H newsletter, club programs, LS 106's, or fair book.
5. Goals are what you want to learn in each project.
  - Include three parts.
  - ACTION – how you are going to do it.
  - RESULT - what you will do
  - TIMETABLE – when you plan to have it completed.
  - Do you have control over all 3 parts of the goal?
  - Examples : I want to learn how to make chocolate chips cookies to serve at the March 4-H meeting.  
I want to train my dog to sit before county fair time.  
NOT : I want to win a blue ribbon at fair.



Evaluation Guidelines  
**4-H Record Keeping**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Project \_\_\_\_\_ Last grade completed \_\_\_\_\_

Reminder that the records you keep can be handwritten, entered on the computer and presented in print or on-screen, recorded on audio or videotape, or kept in a portfolio. The same criteria are used for all methods of keeping records.

Criteria for evaluation	Comments	Points
<b>1. Goals set as the first step in the project</b> ✓ Did the 4-H'er have the appropriate number of goals? ✓ Did the goal include -what they would do, -the expected result, and -when the action plan would be completed? ✓ Could the member control the result of the goal?		1-15pts.
<b>2. Planned and described what was done &amp; learned</b> ✓ Was the description of what was done complete enough that another person could do it from the description? ✓ Did the description include what the member learned from doing the plan? ✓ Does the member express interesting stories about the learning process—makes the records more interesting? ✓ Does the member tell what they learned?		1-20 pts.
<b>3. Kept project information organized.</b> ✓ Was the presentation of the information organized? ✓ Did the member show that they knew where and how to find the information? ✓ Could the member show evidence from the record when answering your questions?		1-5 pts.
<b>4. Kept financial records</b> ✓ Are there records of the expenses of the project? ✓ Does the member show receipt of income? ✓ Does the record show the source of income to cover the expenses? ✓ Does the record show the cost of one unit in the project, for example producing one loaf of bread, one gallon of milk, one pound of meat, one wearing of the garment, or one serving of a food?		1-5 pts.
<b>5. Future Plans in Project Area</b> ✓ Did the member tell their plans for this project in the future? ✓ Did the member tell how they will use what they learned in the future?		1-5 pts.

Further Comments:

Total Points

\_\_\_\_\_

Bar \_\_\_\_\_

Interview \_\_\_\_\_

Top \_\_\_\_\_

**50 POSSIBLE POINTS**  
**35-43 POINTS=BAR AWARD**  
**44-50 POINTS=INTERVIEW**

# Jasper County Life Skills Awards Application



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (fall of last yr) \_\_\_\_\_

Check awards(s) for which you are applying:

**Juniors**

\_\_\_ Achievement

**Intermediates**

\_\_\_ Achievement

\_\_\_ Leadership

\_\_\_ Citizenship

**Seniors**

\_\_\_ Achievement

\_\_\_ Leadership

\_\_\_ Citizenship

\_\_\_ Agriculture

\_\_\_ Family & Consumer Sciences

\_\_\_ Science & Technology

\_\_\_ I Dare You

(Juniors may apply for the achievement award, Intermediates may apply for two, and Seniors three life skill awards.)

**Interviews will be scheduled based on applications received. We will contact you with a date and time as soon as possible.**

**Participation Summary:**

Attended \_\_\_\_\_% of club meetings

Completed record book this year? Yes or No

Applied for at least one project record? Yes or No

List events and activities in which you have been involved, use additional paper if needed.

**Community events and activities:** (Include school, church, etc.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

**County events and activities:** (Example: county fair, fair parade, awards program, carnival, clothing selection/fashion review, livestock judging, festival of trees, county-wide workshop, etc.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

**State events and activities:** (Example: camp, state fair, state conference, state council, etc.)

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Community service activities:** (Include citizenship activities in 4-H, school, church, etc.)

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Leadership activities:** (include 4-H, school, church, etc.)

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Any other information you wish to share:**

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