LET'S ALL WELCOME NEW 4-H MEMBERS

During the past month or two we have heard from numerous families inquiring about the Jasper County 4-H Program. For some, 4-H is a family tradition, for others this will be their family’s first introduction to the program. While we are doing our best to welcome these new families it will be their club meeting experience that will make the biggest impact on their initial reaction to 4-H. Please welcome new families to 4-H. Give them the knowledge you think is important for them to feel like they belong. You may even think back to your first experience in 4-H and tell new members what you wish you would have known when your first started out, or provide them with the same mentoring that another member or leader provided you.

This is a new year, and we can use that feeling of renewal as an opportunity to expand our own 4-H experiences. Maybe try a new project area that you have been interested in, or consider applying for a county award, or some other greater role in 4-H. This could be your chance, invite others to join you – don’t be afraid to take the lead.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER-
All 4-H newsletters will be sent electronically to the family email address we have on file for you in 4hOnline. This is one reason why it is so important that you go into 4hOnline and register for the new 4-H year. You will then be on the list to receive the newsletter and other information from us. If you do not have email, please call the Extension & Outreach Office to request a paper copy be mailed to you at 641-792-6433.
FALL LEADERS MEETING

The fall leaders' training is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct 17th at 6:00 p.m. We would like for you to bring a club activity, craft, community service project, or fundraising idea with you to share with the group. We will be talking about "Building Resiliency in Youth." See you there! ☺ We will have pizza and networking from 6:00 to 6:30.

ARCHERY WORKSHOP

Join us for an archery workshop on Sunday, October 29th at the Isaac Walton League in Newton, from 2:00 to 3:30. We will have basic archery instruction and plenty of time for target shooting and games. Must be in 4th through 12th grades. Call the Extension Office to register by Oct. 26. 641-792-6433.

4-H AWARDS PROGRAM

Please join us for the 4-H Awards program on Sunday, November 12th at 2:00, at DMACC. Even if you didn't turn in a record book feel free to join us to find out what recordkeeping is all about, support your fellow 4-H members who did, and have some ice cream. ☺

INTERMEDIATE CAMP-OUT REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED

The registration deadline for the Intermediate Camp-Out has been extended to Monday, October 9th. Please consider this opportunity to check out the 4-H Center in Madrid, learn some camping skills, spend some time in the great outdoors and meet 4-H members from another county. One of the activities will be a creek walk in the creek pictured below...

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

For the 2017/2018 4-H Year enrollments will again be done on-line. Please do this ASAP to assure that you are receiving all the 4-H 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. 1ST.

JASPER COUNTY SUPER CLOVER KIDS

The next Jasper County Super Clover Kids meeting is scheduled for October 17th at 6:30 pm, at the Extension & Outreach Office in DMACC.

OFFICER TRAINING

4-H Officers are an important part of the club meeting. Officers help establish an agenda, follow parliamentary procedure, and help in having a fun meeting by providing an activity or recreational game. Officer training will be held on Thursday, November 9th from 6 to 8 pm at DMACC. Pizza will be provided for all 4-H’ers attending this training. ☺ Please call 641-792-6433 to register so we know how much pizza to provide.

PIZZA

JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

County Council will meet Sunday Oct. 22nd at 5:00 pm for our County Council Kick Off at the Pizza Ranch in Newton. If you are in grades 9th through 12th and would like to join County Council contact Stacey at the Extension Office for an application 641-792-6433. You can also join us for this meeting and pick one up there. ☺

Our vision

A world in which youth and adults learn, grow, and work together as catalysts for positive change.
WINNER OF THE NATIONAL 4-H WEEK WINDOW DECORATING CONTEST...

THANK YOU to the following 4-H Clubs for participating in the in the National 4-H Week Window Decorating Contest...

Jasper County Farmhands        Hominy Ridge
Poweshiek Partners             Lucky L's
PC Champs                      Jolly Workers
The World Changers             Community Achievers
Sherman Sunbeams               Jasper County Showmen
Mustang Clovers                Jasper County Super Clover Kids

They were all AWESOME and so creative and we had so many this year!
The winner of this year's contest is the POWESHIEK PARTNERS! Congratulations to them!
Thank you to everyone who promoted 4-H in some way during this week (and any time).

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.
CONGRATULATIONS to Gavin Branderhorst, Alyssa Bassett, and Josie Branderhorst. These three Jasper County 4-H members exhibited swine at the Ak-Sar-Ben Livestock Exhibition and all received purple ribbons. Way to represent Jasper County.

UKRAINIAN PAINTING WORKSHOP

The Killduff Hotshots recently attended a workshop at the Center for Arts and Artist in Newton. They learned a Ukrainian painting technique taught by artist from the Ukraine. Maybe we will get to see some of their paintings at the fair next summer.

4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH
JASPER COUNTY GEARBOTS ROBOTICS TEAM

The Jasper County Gearbots team has been busy working on their project and robot missions. They are looking forward to competing against other 4-H Robotic teams at the regional site in Marshalltown on December 2nd, with the hopes of advancing on to the state competition at Iowa State University. The team is coached by Scott Wilson, Beth Zahurones, and Dave Mowbray.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES-

1. The leader of the Jasper County Super Clover Kids is looking for older 4-H members to come to their meetings and give presentations. This could be a presentation you are planning to do this year or one from last year. You could also do a working exhibit, educational presentation or share the fun act. She would like the younger kids to see what 4-H is all about once they are old enough to be in community clubs, and what’s more fun than watching and learning from the older kids? They meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30. If you are interested in this please contact Laurie Moffitt at 515-979-8614 to schedule a month you would like to attend their meeting.

2. There is a nursing home in Mitchellville that would like some 4-H girls to volunteer to put make-up on and paint the nails of some of the residents there. This would make the day of these ladies, so if you are an aspiring make-up artist and would like to help out please contact Denise Fick for more information. 515-669-8590

4-H PROGRAM FEE ASSISTANCE-

If you need help with the annual 4-H Program Fee you can go to the following link and fill out an application for assistance.
https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/en/funding_opportunities/iowa_4h_program_fee_assistance

PROJECT HELP SHEETS-

Project Help Sheets are designed to inform 4-H members and leaders about the different project areas. They are on the state website and can be found at http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects then click on the project area you are interested in on the right hand column. The help sheets can be found under TIPS.