**August 2019 4-H News**

**Information for your month…**

Dear 4-H Families,

Thanks to everyone for hanging in there with your Mills County Extension staff, Extension Council and Fair Boards as we tackled the 2020 COVID edition Mills County Fair. I know we went through so many changes and that it was not always easy to keep up with them. I know it was a lot to take in and you all have been so very patient, helpful and understanding as we waded through this uncharted territory this year.

I would like to thank our many volunteers, committee members, superintendents and judges from the bottom of my heart. Without them none of this would have been remotely possible.

I would also like to personally thank all of you for sticking by us and cheering us on even when it was difficult to understand why we had to do things the way we did. Your support and input was extremely valuable to us in the planning and the running of this year’s fair.

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**August Birthdays**

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2020 State Fair Exhibits

Congratulations to all who were selected to take projects, presentations and speeches to the Show Iowa event this year.

◊ Static Exhibits:

◊ Communications:
Megan Wells, Levi McDonald, Martin Seipold and Jack McMullen

A Big Round of Applause

Each year during the Iowa State Fair, counties throughout Iowa nominate a special 4-H volunteer from their community to be inducted into the Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame.

This year we nominated Ken and Janet Wade, long time supporters of the Mills County 4-H program and the Mills County Fair. Janet was also leader for the Silver Clouds 4-H club.

We want to give Janet a big Thank you for all the help, hard work and support she and Ken have given to Mills County.

The Hall Of Fame Induction ceremonies will take place virtually on Sunday, August 23 beginning at 1:30pm for Counties A-I and 3:30pm for J-W.
The Mills County Clover Kids had a great time at fair this year. Lots of great projects were brought to be judged and a fun time was had at the stuffed animal show. Way to go Clover Kids, we can’t wait to see what next year brings.

A Crowing Achievement

Congratulations to all of our amazing 2020 Mills County Fair Queen Court

*Emma Seipold  *Audrey Arnold
*Delaney McMullen  *Lily Proctor
*Breanna Epperson  *Maggie Begbie
*Madilynn Marburger
*Cheyenne Schmit

With such outstanding and hard working girls running for the title, I couldn’t imagining how hard it was for the judges to just pick one.

Audrey Arnold was crowned as the 2020 Mills County Fair Queen!

Congratulations to all our Jr. Miss, Little Miss and Mr. contestants.

Jr. Miss Constants
*Ann Barrett  (2020 Princess)
*Allie Neuhalfen
*Ailey Marburger
*Sydney Rohrberg
*Ella Marvel
*Megan Wells  (Out going Princess)

2020 Little Miss Contestants
Don’t Forget to say Thank You!

Now that fair has come and gone for another year, don’t forget to say or send a Thank you note to the many Sponsors, Volunteers and Buyers that help to keep our County Fair running and provide so much support.

Here are a few tips on how to write a good Thank You note.

**Tips for a great Thank you note**

* Start with a greeting; “Dear (Mr., Mrs., Business name)”
* Thank them for their generosity and support; “I want to thank you for (buying, volunteering, supporting) the 4-H program.”
* Give them a little more; something you learned or what it means to you.
* Thank you and a closing

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**Example:**

Dear Buyer,

Thank you for coming to the auction this year and purchasing my goat. I really appreciate your generosity and support of the 4-H program.

This was my first year raising a goat for fair. I learned a lot about how to feed him properly and how to groom my goat. 4-H has been a great place to make new friends and learn new skills.

I plan on using the money from the sale of my goat to help buy next year’s animal. The rest will go toward a trip my class is taking to Washington DC this year.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Sincerely,

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**Record Book Workshop ~ August 18th**

It’s time to finish up those record books that you all have been working on all year long.

Well maybe in a perfect world we have been working on them all year. If you haven’t though, don’t fear we will be holding a record book workshop on **August 18th @ 6:30pm** here at the Extension office.

Come bring your books and get some tips and help. If you new to all this and record books, that’s okay to we will be here to help you navigate through it all.

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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.
Record Book Reminder

Record Books are due to your club leaders at your September meeting (unless deadlines were made within your club already)! Please make arrangements to get them to your leaders.

If you need help, please come to our Record Book Workshop on Tuesday, August 18th or call the office to set up a time to talk with Alycne or email at alycne@iastate.edu.

Senior Farewells

Good Luck and Best Wishes to our Senior Graduates

Ahren Marburger
Allison Morris
Audrey Arnold
Breanna Epperson
Caylen Mayer
Curtis Pestel
Delaney McMullen

Emma Seipold
Kari Schuppan
Lexi Morris
Maci Morris
Matthew Neuhalfen
Nathan Vinton
Shaelee Stromgren
Taryn Bertini

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CREW

What is CREW?
CREW is our Intermediate 4-H Leadership group for grades 6-8th.
CREW members will learn leadership, do community service projects and help with 4-H activities.

The CREW group meets the 3rd Sunday of every month starting in October at 4:30pm.
Applications will be available in September.

COUNTY COUNCIL

Calling Senior 4-H Members

Do you want to help make a difference, learn leadership skills and help promote 4-H?

We are looking for outstanding Senior 4-H members who want to join our County Council.
Meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Requirements:
* Be a Senior 4-H member in 9-12th grade.
* Fully participate in County Council meetings and Activities
* Attend at least 75% of meetings
* Complete one of the following project areas: Citizenship, Communications or Leadership

Contact the Extension office for more info and an application.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers Wanted!

Do you want to make a difference and help to improve our Mills County 4-H programs?

Do you have some fun ideas you want to share? Maybe you have a special talent or passion for something you want to share with the youth of Mills County.

We are looking for people that want to help out on committees for different events like our Awards Night, Fashion Revue, etc. We are also looking for anyone that wants help put on workshops or lead projects.

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Meetings & Updates

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August 18th @ 6:30pm

Extension Office

Record Books Due at your September club meeting!

Contact Alycne for more info
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alycne@iastate.edu

**COUNTY COUNCIL**

County Council Meeting
September 20th @ 5pm

County Council Applications
Due to the Office Friday, September 29th
Interviews held October 6th @ 7pm
Contact Alycne for more info
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**CLUB LEADERS**

Leaders Meeting:
Tuesday, September 1st 6:30pm at the Extension Office

**FROM AROUND THE STATE**

Iowa State 4-H Virtual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.... August 23rd starting @ 1:30 pm

Iowa State 4-H Shooting Sports Match.... Saturday, August 29th Sunday, August 30th in Seasboro, IA

**CLOSURES**

Extension office will be closed:
September 7th for Labor Day holiday.

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