Wapello County 4-H has so many wonderful volunteers. We couldn’t ask for better families. This month’s spotlight focuses on 3 wonderful ladies that stepped up and spent countless hours helping us prepare for the Enchanted Forest. Their creations / decorations made it a great event. Thank you Darcy, Julie, and Patty for everything you do!

Darcy Hanna-McDaniel, Julie Hanna-Norris & Patty Hanna

Just a reminder—

Make sure you re-enroll for this 2018-19 year. You must be re-enrolled and active by February 1st, 2019 to participate in the 2019 4-H Expo.
COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
The next County Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8th at 6:00 pm. Please bring a $5 gift to exchange and a snack to share.

EXTENSION COUNCIL MEETING
Extension Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 28th at 7:00 pm

EXPO BOARD MEETING
The next Expo Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 17th at 7:00 pm at the Extension Office.

4-H FOUNDATION BOARD MEETING
The next 4-H Foundation Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27th, 2019 at 6:00 pm.
Grant Opportunity

DuPont Pioneer Seed Grant Application Now Open
4-H clubs can apply for “seed money” from DuPont Pioneer in the form of grants up to $500. These grants are to be used by 4-H clubs for community improvement projects in their community. Applications are due to the state office by January 30th, 2019. For application materials, tips, and more info check out the DuPont Pioneer Seed Grant webpage.

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)
Registration is live for the 60th year of CWF held June 14-22, 2019. All teens who are currently in 9th-12th grades are eligible to register for the trip. Information for paper and online registration can be found on the Iowa 4-H CWF webpage. Watch Iowa 4-H social media for promotional graphics you can use on your own county pages.

President's Environmental Youth Award Program
The Environmental Protection Agency seeks to recognize school projects (K-12) that demonstrate environmental stewardship through the President’s Environmental Youth Award (PEYA). PEYA has two parts: a regional award for Grades K-5 and a regional award for Grades 6-12. Find out more information on the PEYA webpage. The deadline to apply is February 1, 2019.

Leadership Opportunity for High School Youth
Youth in grades 9th-12th can apply to be teen leaders for the National 4-H Native Bee Challenge. This is a great opportunity to gain leadership skills for youth interested in insects, agriculture, conservation, or horticulture. Youth just need to complete this short online application! Contact Maya Hayslett to get more information.

Beef Bonanza
The Northwest Iowa Beef Bonanza is on February 2 at ILCC in Emmetsburg, IA. Participants will learn about calving with the ISU calving simulator, develop skills in judging and scoring cattle, and prepare beef safely. Please contact Lisa Berkland with questions.
2019 Wapello County 4-H Expo
JULY 15—20, 2019

There are some changes to the schedule for the 2019 4-H Expo. We have added on an additional day to help limit some chaos. This is a trial year to see how well it works!

Please mark your calendars:

- **Saturday, July 13th**—Set-up Day (we will need ALL hands on deck)
  - **Sunday, July 14th**—Royalty Pageant and Kick-Off
  - **Monday, July 15th**—Static project judging
  - **Tuesday, July 16th**—Animal project check-in
  - **Wednesday July 17th**—normal schedule
  - **Thursday, July 18th**—normal schedule
  - **Friday, July 19th**—normal schedule
  - **Saturday, July 20th**—normal schedule
- **Sunday, July 21st**—Clean-up / Premium Pay-Out

*We are considering doing our communications judging on Tuesday, July 16th to avoid conflicts with animal shows. If you have any concerns regarding this—please contact Cindy asap.*

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**SPOTLIGHT of the Month**

This 4-H year 2018-19 each month, we will be highlighting a leader or volunteer that goes above and beyond to help with making the best better for Wapello County. If you know of someone you would like to nominate, please send in your request along with a picture by January 29th to cemery@iastate.edu.

*Thank you to those who have already submitted someone!

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**Archery Program**

The Wapello county Arrows & Ammo Club will be having Archery Program will be on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:00 pm. Cost is $5 to participate.

January 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26

Please contact Cindy if you have any further questions.
Snowman Workshop

This will be SNOW much Fun!! Enjoy snowman creations without going out in the cold. 2 fun crafts in one great evening!

LOCATION: Wapello County Extension Office

WHEN: Thursday, January 24 @ 6:00 pm

COST: $5—4-H members & families / $10 for non-members

Must register by January 22—*MUST be Paid by this date

AGES: For all ages (Youth 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult)

MIN/MAX Class Size: 5 -15

There will be a 4-H Dog Project Workshop at the Expo Grounds on January 20 at 2:30 pm, without dogs. Please bring your green folder from 2018 with you, we also need to know if you will NOT be attending. If you have chosen to participate in the dog project recently, this is a MANDATORY meeting and it is highly recommended for all members to attend. Remember, you need to be re-enrolled and active by February 1st to be eligible to show at the 2019 Expo. We are looking forward to beginning the 2019 practice season. Fundraising ideas would be appreciated. Please contact me if you have questions at 641-777-7448. Hope to see all of you there!!!!! Elaine

Starting in January!!

Each Monday in January a Trivia question will be sent out via 4HOnline and posted on Facebook. Respond to Cindy by email with your answer. At the end of the month a winner will be drawn.

Senior Scholarship Applications are now available at the Extension Office. If you are a senior and have re-enrolled in 4-H Online you are eligible to apply.
Community Service Projects

Hotshots 4-H Club delivered over 100 fruit socks to the elderly and shut-in.

West Side Trailblazers purchased gifts for children.