From the desk of Lujean Faber...

Start to identify your animals and livestock for fair NOW!

This year all 4-H animals and livestock that 4-H’ers plan to exhibit at county fair (and State Fair, Clay County Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben) must be identified in 4-H Online...no paper forms will be accepted this year from 4-H families (FFA students will still need to fill out paper forms). If 4-H families do not have a computer or internet access, you are welcome to come into the Extension Office to enter your animals. If office hours don’t work, please make special arrangements. Always best to call ahead!

Go to 4-H Online at: https://iowa.4-Honline.com/ - this is the same site that you used to enroll in 4-H. If your address or email has changed, please contact the Extension Office first.

See “Start to Identify your Animals” article in this issue of the 4-H Scene for further information.

4-H families need to put important 4-H deadlines on their calendars, phones, etc.—something that will remind you. It is the responsibility of 4-H families to make sure 4-H deadlines are followed; otherwise 4-H’ers will not be able to exhibit animals at the county fair and other fairs or events that require ID’s.

Remember…READ the 4-H Scene!
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All animals that 4-H’ers want to exhibit at the County Fair, State Fair, Clay County Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben (and for other shows that required animals to be identified) must be identified on or before May 15 by 11:59 pm to be eligible to show.

Animals that are required to be identified by the 4-H’er in 4-H Online are:

- Breeding Heifers
- Cow/Calf Pairs
- Dairy Cattle
- Dogs (current rabies vaccination is also needed)
- Feeder Calves (4-H’ers will first need to pick up Iowa 4-H tags from the Extension Office)
- Goats (dairy goats and fancy goats that are already tattooed)
- Horse (will need 4 pictures: front, back and both sides)
- Llamas
- Poultry (do not need to identify)
- Rabbits (only identify for State Fair and Clay County)
- Swine (4-H’ers will first need to pick up Iowa 4-H tags from the Extension Office)
- Small Pets and Cats (do not need to be identified, but dogs need to be identified)

Animals that were weighed in at an official weigh-in site do not need to be identified by the 4-H’er in 4-H Online, those animals include: Market Beef, Sheep, Meat Goats and Pig-of-Merit.

For more information on livestock requirements go to the Iowa 4-H Livestock Homepage: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock - and look for the 4-H 202 – State ID Requirements.

**Important Due Date: Animal Livestock 4-H Fair Entries are due to the Woodbury County Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. on July 15th.**
FSQA (Food Safety Quality Assurance) REQUIRED

for 4-H’ers Exhibiting Animals at the County Fair

4-H’ers in 4th - 6th grades must attend a workshop and 4-H’ers in 7th – 12th grades must test out if they are exhibiting these animals at the Woodbury County fair, Iowa State Fair or Clay County Fair:

- Beef (market, breeding, cow/calf, and feeder calf)
- Goats (dairy goats, fancy goats and meat goats)
- Rabbit
- Swine
- Dairy Cattle
- Poultry
- Sheep

Pre-Registration for the workshops is required; only 40 slots are open for each location in Woodbury County.

- To register for the Woodbury County FSQA workshops, please call 712-276-2157
- To register for the Monona County FSQA workshops, please call their Extension Office at 712-423-2175
- To Register for the Ida County FSQA Workshop, please call their Extension Office at 712-364-3003

Woodbury Dates:
March 3rd | 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Unity Point Sunnybrook Plaza
2nd Floor next to Cardiovascular
5706 Sunnybrook Dr, Sioux City, IA 51106

April 26th | 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Correctionville Community Center
312 Driftwood St, Correctionville, IA

NEW FSQA Site: Saturday, April 5
9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at the Moville Community Center – 825 Main Street (next to Library)

Monona Dates:
April 12th | 9:30-11:30 a.m. | Onawa
April 14th | 6:30—8:30 p.m. | Mapleton

Ida Date:
March 1st | 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. | Ida Grove
Ida Grove Rec Center

FSQA Workshop Information: 4-H’ers in 4th, 5th and 6th grades who are planning to exhibit animals at the Woodbury County Fair are required to attend a workshop. Please make it a priority to attend a workshop in Woodbury, Monona or Ida County. There are quite a few 4-H’ers who don’t take this seriously. If you don’t attend the workshops offered this year, you will not be able to exhibit your animals at the county fair, state fair and/or Clay County fair – NO special make-ups will be held.

Information for 4-H’ers who need to take the FSQA Test: Because Woodbury has a large number of 4-H’ers who exhibit livestock - 4-H’ers in grades 7th, 8th, or 9th grades, those 4-H’ers must test out this year and 4-H’ers in 10th, 11th and 12th grades must also take the test. You only need to take the test once as a 7th - 9th grader and then again as a 10th – 12th grader. Most 4-H’ers test out as a 7th grader and again as a 10th grader. Testing dates will be later this spring. If you need to know if you need to take the test, please check in 4-H Online under your personal profile.
FSQA Workshop and Commercial Heifer Workshop| Saturday, April 5

Beth Doran, Extension & Outreach Beef Specialist and Wally Kuntz, Woodbury County Beef Produc-
er, are offering a workshop to 4-H members on commercial heifers on Saturday, April 5 in Moville at
the Moville Community Center. The morning will consist of an additional FSQA workshop for 4-H'ers
in 4th – 6th grades from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. from Ida, Monona and Woodbury Counties. Lunch will
follow at 11:30 a.m. The afternoon workshop will start at 12:30 p.m. and will be on how to pick out a
good heifer to work in your herd. This will be followed by a short trip to the Woodbury County fair-
grounds and looking at live cattle. The lunch and afternoon workshop is open to 4-H’ers from any
surrounding counties.

*Please see the flyer in the newsletter for more information and how to register!

Pizza, Pop and Leadership for Intermediate 4-H’ers| Sunday, April 6

Pizza, Pop and Leadership will be held on Sunday, April 6, 5:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m. at the
Woodbury County Fairgrounds at the Fair Office. The 4-H County Council is planning a fun
event for Intermediate 4-H’ers who are in 7th—9th grades. The 4-H County Council are plan-
ing fun activities to help you with some leadership and communication skills, you will get to
know the 4-H County Council better and you will have fun! Plus there will be pizza and pop too!

There is no cost to attend Pizza, Pop and Leadership, but the 4-H County Council would like
donations to their on-going service project with school supplies, personal items (soap, shamp-
poo, etc.) or food pantry items. To help the 4-H County Council plan the event, please RSVP
with your name and phone contact to Lujean at faber@iastate.edu or call 712-276-2157. Even
if you don’t RSVP, you are more than welcome to attend! Bring a 4-H Friend and attend the
Pizza, Pop and Leadership on April 6!

Iowa 4-H Conference 2014: Ticket to Success

The 2014 Iowa 4-H Conference will be held on June 24-26 on the campus of Iowa State University in
Ames, Iowa. This year’s theme is Ticket to Success. Plans are again to have a bus go down on June
23. There is no cost for Woodbury County 4-H members to ride the bus, but it is on a first come first
serve basis. 4-H’ers and youth not in 4-H who have completed 8th grade this spring to 12th graders
will be able to select workshops, attend dances, meet teens from across Iowa and have the best 3
days of fun! Youth may also select to attend ROUND-UP or CSI:Crops.

Cost for State Conference is $175 and includes a T-shirt (there is also an extra cost to stay at the
dorms on June 23)...in March look for additional updates on the website at:
http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference. 4-H members will need to register
through ISU Registration Services and payment is sent to the Woodbury County Extension Office.
There is financial aid available – the financial aid application is due April 21.

Adults are needed to chaperone the Woodbury delegation – there is no cost for adults.
How to prepare your 4-H Award Application?

We want all 4-H’ers to apply for county 4-H awards. Woodbury County 4-H’ers have done some amazing projects and they need to be recognized for their project work. Your award application(s) is due Monday, March 31, 2014. Go to the Woodbury 4-H Website at: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/4h

Look at Project Award Guidelines—those guidelines will tell you what is required. The 4-H Award rubric will help 4-H’ers know how the award application(s) are judged.

Your application can be up to four (4) pages and up to two (2) pages of support material (resume and/or photos).

The application cover form is attached to the front of your application. The cover form has additional information to help prepare your application.

- Woodbury County Record Keeping Project Award Guidelines for Grades 4-8
- Woodbury County Record Keeping Project Award Guidelines for Grades 9-12
- 4-H Award Rubric for 4-H members in grades 4-8
- 4-H Award Rubric for 4-H members in grades 9-12
- 4-H Application Cover Form
- Special County Project Awards for 4-H’ers in grades 10-12
- 4-H Project Award template for 4-H’ers in grades 4-8

4-H’ers who submit award applications will have their names put into a drawing for one of six $25.00 gift certificates. The drawing will be held on June 1, at the recognition event!

4-H & Fair Committee Meeting on 4-H Fair Changes

The next meeting of the 4-H & Fair Committee will be held on Thursday, March 6, 7:00 pm at the Fair Office in Moville. The committee will discuss and approve the 4-H Fair changes for 2014. Special 4-H fair awards and/or trophies must also be approved by the committee. The meeting is open to anyone who wants to hear about the 4-H Fair changes and anyone interested is invited to attend.

4-H County Council Meeting| March 16, 6:30 p.m. at the Fairground

The 4-H County Council will meet on Sunday, March 16, 6:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds in Moville. Intermediates in 7th – 9th grades are invited to any of the meetings. The council will continue to plan the Pizza, Pop and Leadership for Intermediate 4-H’ers that will be held on Sunday, April 6, 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds. There will be an update of 4-H Programs and changes for 2014 fair in the 4-H departments.
Horse Jamboree

The 2014 Horse Jamboree will be held March 29 and 30 at the Ag Student Learning Center in Ames. Even if you don’t have a horse you can participate by entering in creative writing, painting, photography, scrapbooking and much more. For more information go to the website at: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/horse-jamboree

Iowa 4-H Livestock Home Page

4-H’ers wanting information on any of their livestock questions should look at the Iowa 4-H Livestock Homepage located at: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock. Just click on the picture of the animals you are interested in learning more about.

There is information on:

4-H Livestock Events
4-H State Fair Information
Horse Helmet Policy
4-H Horse Rules and Regulations
4-H Identification Information
4-H Project Information

COOL (County of Origin Labeling)
FSQA (Food Safety Quality Assurance)
Animal Care
2014 Livestock updates (under hot topics)

That is only the tip of the iceberg of information. Start exploring today!

Urban 4-H Update

To combat the winter doldrums the Woodbury County Urban 4-H team kept the youth busy with many fun and educational experiences. At the afterschool program at the Midtown Family Center, staff used the activities from the Mad Scientist Camp held earlier this winter to provide youth with opportunities to enjoy fun, and sometimes messy, science-based experiences. The children are making puppets from a variety of materials to use for a drama activity, acting out traditional children’s stories.

During the afterschool 4-H clubs in the schools, staff have provided members with STEM activities including chemistry experiments and Jr. First Lego League. To enhance communication, presentation skills and to build confidence, several clubs have done drama activities that focus on improvisation.

On Jan. 27 at the Midtown Family Center at 525 14th Street in Sioux City we had a Family Fun Night. The neighborhood and families from the afterschool program and clubs were invited to a free soup supper and to have family indoor fun with a newspaper snowball fight, tabletop hockey using wood blocks for the rink and ice for the puck, and an obstacle course set up to have fun while using many muscle groups.

On Monday, March 10, 2014 there will be another Family Fun Night at the location mentioned above. It will be held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. with a free homemade meal followed by family activities. All families with children are invited to attend.

4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH
4-H’ers for 4-H!

4-H’ers for 4-H Campaign will kick off on March 1 through June 1. Information on the campaign will be sent directly to 4-H Club leaders by the State 4-H office. Contributions are used for State 4-H Conference, financial assistance and other projects voted upon by the State 4-H Council. A suggested donation is $2.50 per 4-H member, but any amount is appreciated.

For more information go to: https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/4hersfor4h. You may send your check directly to the Iowa 4-H Foundation: Extension 4-H Youth Building, ISU, Ames, Iowa 50011-3630. Please make your check payable to the Iowa 4-H Foundation. Donations are due by May 15.

What is Copyright? Important information for Fair!

Every year at the fair there are 4-H exhibits that cannot be displayed because they have not followed copyright rules. In order to prevent that from occurring, 4-H’ers need to be aware of copyright rules. According to the United State Copyright Office, “Copyright is a form of protection provided by the laws of the United States to the authors of “original works of authorship”. (Copyright Basics. US. Copyright Office. 2012.) Or to put it simply, copyright is your right to your own work. No one can use your work without your permission.

Your responsibility as a 4-H’er is to make sure that you are not using other people’s work without their permission before putting the item on public display and earning premium money from the work. Before you copy/draw/recreate a painting, cartoon character, photograph, or other piece of work for the fair, you need to ask the original creator for permission. A copy of a copyright permission letter can be found on the Iowa 4-H State Fair webpage, http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair, under the “Exhibitor Resources” section.

More information on copyright guidelines is available from your County Extension Office or at the U.S. Copyright Office, http://www.copyright.gov/.

Please note: 4-H fair projects that don’t have permission before judging will be dropped a ribbon and will be ineligible for State Fair.

Enroll in 4-H Projects

If you haven’t enrolled in 4-H projects in 4-H Online, (and there are some 4-H’ers who haven't), please go to your profile in 4-H Online at https://iowa.4-Honline.com/. It is important because the Iowa 4-H office sends out emails on specific projects to 4-H’ers on state fair changes, special events and reminders. If your email or address has changed, please let the Woodbury County Extension Office know of that change so that we can make the change in 4-H Online.
Fundraiser for Robotic 4-H Club

The 4-H Robotic Club is having a tip night at the Pizza Ranch in Sergeant Bluff on Thursday, March 27. It will be held from 4:45 pm – 8:30 pm to help raise funds for the FTC and FLL 4-H’ers. Please give them your support and enjoy a good meal too!

The Lego Adrenaline Team recently competed in Ames. “It gets more fun every year because you know more about it and know what you’re doing, and you just get to meet cool people,” said Lauryn Jansen, a member of Lego Adrenaline. “My favorite [part of the competition] was the core values,” said Victoria Nelson, a member of Lego Adrenaline. “It made me a better person.”

Picnic Tables for Fair

The Woodbury County Fair board has an opportunity available this year to honor a loved one or your club with a picnic table for the fairgrounds. 4-H clubs, families or anyone interested may purchase a picnic table for the fair. The costs for the picnic table with names engraved on top is $200. The table will be placed in the picnic area next to the free stage near Flathers Hall. You may contact Don Wiese, Fair Board Manager, or Jan Widman, Fair Board Secretary at woodburycofair@wiatel.net for more information or to order a table.

The Fair board is also asking for help with cleaning off the tables at the picnic area during the fair. If clubs would like to adopt a day to help with that task, cleaning could be done a couple times a day. Cleaning supplies would be provided.

4-H Camping

The Iowa 4-H Program is offering camps this summer at the camping center near Madrid, Iowa and also regional camps throughout Iowa. Camps are for 4-H members and any other youth who would like to have a great camping experience. For more information, please check out the website at: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/camping

4-H Recognition Event | Sunday, June 1

Each year 4-H’ers and volunteers are recognized at the 4-H Recognition Event. To help with the cost of the meal, the 4-H Recognition Team are asking 4-H clubs for a donation towards the meal so that 4-H members, 4-H Volunteers and their family can all benefit. 4-H Clubs have been very generous in the past to help with this effort.

We would also like each club to donate a $5 door prize for the 4-H Recognition event. The 4-H Recognition event will be held on Sunday, June 1 in the Varied Industry Building at the Fairgrounds in Moville. The meal will be catered by Central Catering of Hawarden, will start at 5:00 p.m. with the award program starting at 5:45 pm.

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.
Swine Weigh In | April 12 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Pig-of-Merit and Performance Pen of Three Swine must be tagged and weighed in on Saturday, April 12, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds in Moville. Eight pigs may be entered in the Pig-of-Merit and Performance Pen of Three. There is no weight limit on pigs, but the 4-H’er or family must be present to weigh the animal. 4-H’ers can exhibit four animals: two barrows and two gilts in the Pig-of-Merit class and may also show one Performance Pen of three at the fair. Pigs that are not shown in the Pig-of-Merit and Performance Pen of three can be shown in the regular market class. 4-H Swine superintendents can help answer your questions, they are:

Lonnie Ploeger (712) 375-5932  Grant Streck (712) 873-5816  Ron Meister (712) 378-3160

Tags for County Pigs: 4-H and FFA members planning to exhibit swine at the Woodbury County Fair must tag their pigs using the Iowa 4-H tag. Cost of the tags are $1.00 per animal. Tags can be picked up at the Woodbury County Extension office. Families MUST indicate how many tags and the name of the 4-H’ers using the tags. All unused tags MUST be returned by May 15. All pigs must be tagged by the 4-H family on or before May 15.

State Fair Pigs: Families wanting to exhibit at the Iowa State Fair must contact the Woodbury County Extension office to set up a time for tagging. All State fair pigs must be tagged by May 15th.

Sheep & Goat Weigh In | May 3

Sheep: 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Woodbury County Fairgrounds | West Swine Barn

All market, commercial ewe and ram lambs must be ear tagged and weighed. For more information contact Sheep Superintendents: Penny Yaremko (712) 372-4722; Holly Petersen (712) 365–4528; Kathy Petersen (712) 259-1428

4-H’ers who plans to attend the Iowa state fair must have their market and commercial animals verified by a retinal scan, tagged and weighed between 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. 4-H’ers who plan to attend the AK-SAR-BEN stock show must pick up DNA envelopes. County tags cost $1.00 each. State Fair & AK-SAR-BEN Exhibits are $5.00 each.

Goats: 8:00 a.m.—11:00 p.m. Woodbury County Fairgrounds | West Swine Barn

All goats must be either tagged or tattooed for county fair & state fair. 4-H’ers who exhibit meat goats at the county fair must have their animals tagged. For more information contact Goat Superintendents: Alan Ralston (712) 873-3471  Jen Ankerstjerne (712) 333–077.

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<td>2014 Woodbury County Fair, 4-H Building Judging will be Monday, July 28 and 4-H Livestock Entry will be Tuesday, July 29</td>
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**Want to know more?**

Find us at: [extension.iastate.edu/4h/woodbury](http://extension.iastate.edu/4h/woodbury)

March Master Gardener Tip: Make plans to attend the 2014 Siouxland Garden Show March 28-30 to get ready for spring!