



# OCTOBER 2012 4-H SCENE



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## From the desk of Lujean Faber...

What are some of the requirements of a 4-H Member and their 4-H Club?

A 4-H Club and its members will:

- Build youth and adult partnerships
- Set Goals and evaluate progress toward those goals
- Participate in a minimum of 6 hours of a learning experiences with a caring adult
- Attend Club meetings where all youth help in planning a fun hands on learning experience
- Demonstrate learning by giving a presentation or demonstration before a group
- Contribute to the community by planning and completing a community service project

Recent findings from Tufts University's *4-H Study of Positive Youth Development* indicate that young people in 4-H are three times more likely to contribute to their communities than youth not participating in 4-H. Notably, the Tufts research discovered that the structured learning, encouragement and adult mentoring that 4-H'ers receive play a vital role in helping them actively contribute to their communities. In Woodbury County, 449 4-H members and 104 volunteers are involved in 4-H.

*Lujean Faber*

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# NATIONAL OCTOBER 7-13, 2012 4-H WEEK

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY  
University Extension

**4-H**  
GROWING TOGETHER



## 2013 Citizenship Washington Focus

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) will happen in 2013. It is a ten-day trip for 4-H youth in 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The trip provides a setting to experience leadership and citizenship in a whole different way at the National 4-H Center. Youth who have participated in previous trips have returned to report that it has been the single most educational highlight of their 4-H career.

Participants can select either June 7<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> or June 14<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> to attend the trip. Since this is a statewide trip again, this time bus pickup locations will be Carroll, Ames, Altoona, Grinnell, Iowa City and Davenport. 4-H'ers and adult chaperone will travel by chartered bus to Washington D.C. Some highlights of the trip are: Lincoln's Springfield, Gettysburg Battlefield, Capitol Hill, Smithsonian Museums, Mount Vernon and Kennedy Center. Beside tours and workshop you'll have time for socializing and meeting new friends. If adults are interested in chaperoning, please let us know.

Cost of the trip is \$1,420. This includes lodging, transportation, tour site admissions, and most meals. **Registration and a \$350.00 deposit will be required to secure a spot. Woodbury County 4-H members will receive a \$100-scholarship that will be given shortly before they leave for Washington D.C. Registration opens October 1, 2012 and closes December 15, 2012. 4-H'ers who are interested will need to be enrolled in 4-H Online and 4-H'ers will register for the trip in 4-H Online.**

To learn more about the trip and get registration information visit: [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/cwf](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/cwf)

## Pioneer Grant "Seed" Money

Pioneer Hi-Bred International is offering Pioneer Community Improvement Grants through the Iowa 4-H Foundation. Clubs are encouraged to apply for "seed money" to help them get started on community projects. Applications for grants are due in the county office on December 1, 2012. The brochure, information, and application are on the web at:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/PioneerGrants.html>

The website also lists other grant opportunities. One of the more recent grants was received by Arlington Future Farmers. They received a grant for their continued improvements to the town of Merville.

## 2012 Communications Videos Online!

The Iowa 4-H program want to share online video recordings of the 2012 Iowa State Fair 4-H Communications Educational Presentations and Share The Fun acts!

Many of these are still being uploaded, but they can be found at [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/isf12](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/isf12). This would be an opportunity for new 4-H'ers or 4-H'ers wanting to see how other 4-H'ers present and maybe do a communication event for next year's fair.

## MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING

## 4-H OPPORTUNITIES



### 4-H Zoo Trip | November 2-3

Come and explore the Omaha Henry Doorly Zoo for a camp out to learn about animals at night. There will be a night hike, games, and activities. One of the highlights is that campers will be sleeping at the Scott Aquarium. Meet 4-H'ers from Nebraska and Monona, Plymouth & Woodbury Counties in Iowa. The zoo trip is targeted for 4-H members in 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grades.

**Cost: \$60 per person**  
(we are working on bus transportation)

**Please make check payable to:**  
Woodbury County Extension

All reservations will need to be made by October 10.

The Zoo Flyer and schedule was in the September 4-H Scene and can be located at:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/4h>

### 4-H Holiday | Sunday, November 4

The 4-H County Council is planning the 4-H Holiday for Sunday, November 4, 4:00 pm (location pending). They are planning workshops, contests and lots of fun. Plans are to have a cookie decorating contest. Invite a friend to explore and learn more about 4-H.

If you or your club would like to present a workshop, please contact the Woodbury County Extension Office at 276-2157 or email Lujean at [faber@iastate.edu](mailto:faber@iastate.edu)

There is no fee to attend, the 4-H County Council would like you help them with their community service project which is to help the new after school 4-H clubs with snacks. Snacks can be cookies, granola/cereal bars, graham or other snack crackers, pretzels, dried fruit, cereal to make their own snack pack or other nonperishable food items.

### 4-H Recognition Team Membership

The 4-H Recognition team consists of both adults and youth who help plan recognition, workshops and fun activities for 4-H families. It is a fun and energetic group. This is a "working" committee; if you don't plan to attend meetings or help with activities this committee is NOT for you!

Since this is the beginning of the new 4-H year, we need to start planning events/workshops for 2012-2013. Each 4-H club can have a representative on the 4-H Recognition Team – either a youth or an adult (the representatives can be a parent/child or 4-H Leader/4-H'er). It is up to each club on how they select a member to be on the 4-H Recognition Team. Whoever is chosen MUST attend meetings.

The Recognition Team develops new awards & recognition and helps plan the 4-H Recognition Event and other events to help with recordkeeping. Both youth and adults work together! Members of the 4-H Recognition Team should have an understanding of the County 4-H Awards process, willing to work at events, attend meetings and most importantly give your ideas and suggestions to make the Woodbury 4-H program better!

**First Meeting will be October 24 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the Woodbury County Extension Office**

**Please select your representative and alternate by October 15.**

You may e-mail the "complete" information to: [faber@iastate.edu](mailto:faber@iastate.edu)

Mail the information to:

Woodbury County Extension Office  
4301 Sergeant Road, Suite 213  
Sioux City, IA 51106

Or Phone: 712-276-2157 (voice mail is extension 12) or Fax: 712-276-6211



## 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.



## Celebrate National 4-H Week!

**October 13th 4-H at the Mall** will be held from 1-4 p.m. at the Southern Hills Mall center court by Younkers. This event will highlight projects created by Woodbury County 4-Hers. A fashion show and communication events will be held each hour.

If your club would like to participate by bringing projects/presentations or you would like to work the booth, please contact Lujean Faber at [faber@iastate.edu](mailto:faber@iastate.edu) or call 712-276-2157.

## 4-H Judges Training Registration Open!

Judges Training for fall/winter/spring 2012-2013 is now scheduled. New judges, experienced judges, volunteers, parents, and staff are welcome to attend. Cost is \$20.00 for those attending all day and \$5.00 for those attending just in the afternoon. Registration money will be collected onsite.

Register online <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/iowa-4-h> click on the information Judges Training Registration located on the left hand side.

Training agenda

- The first four hours (includes lunch) of the training builds knowledge and skills for new judges (as well as interested volunteers and parents) and the last two hours are project area content specific.
- Experienced judges will be presenting and all judges are welcome to attend to brush-up on their expertise or expand their knowledge base.

### Dates and locations for fall/winter training:

- Oct. 20, 2012 Story County Extension 4-H Youth Bldg, ISU, Ames
- Nov. 3, 2012 Winneshiek County NE Iowa Dairy Center, Calmar campus of NE IA CC
- Jan. 19, 2013 Linn County Linn Co. Extension office, Marion
- March 2, 2013 Buena Vista County Storm Lake Middle School
- March 9, 2013 Johnson County Co. Extension office, Iowa City
- March 9, 2013 Kossuth County First Presbyterian Church, Algona
- March 9, 2013 Pottawattamie Carson Community Center
- March 16, 2013 Clarke County Clarke Co. Fairground Event Center, Osceola

## Spring Shooting Sports Leader Training

The spring 2013 Shooting Sports Leader Training is scheduled for April 5-7, 2013, at the 4-H Center near Madrid, Iowa. We hope to have the information/registration available by the first part of January 2013. If you are interested or know of someone who might be, please let them know.

Volunteers will need to fill out child protection and screening forms before they can attend.

When the spring 2013 training information is available, it will be posted on the SESS website: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/shooting-sports-activities-and-events>.

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## NATIONAL 4-H NEWS

### 2013 4-H Youth in Action Award!

The National 4-H Council is now accepting applications for the annual *Youth in Action* award, to be presented at the 4-H *Legacy Awards Gala* in New York City on April 18, 2013! This award recognizes an outstanding young person from your 4-H program who is realizing 4-H's vision for youth who are driving positive change in their communities.

The 4-H *Youth in Action* award is open to 4-H members and recent alumni ages 16-21. Applicants should have led a project, service or event that:

- Identified a problem in their community;
- Included 4-H as part of the solution; and
- Made an impact in resolving the issue.

**Application Requirements:** In a 3 minute or less video, the nominee should address the following questions/statements: (Note: File size should not exceed 50MB or 3 minutes.)

**How to Apply:** Please download an application at : <http://grants.4-h.org/>

**Application Deadline:** Online applications must be submitted by Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012, at 11:59 pm ET. Questions regarding the application process will be accepted until 4 p.m. ET, Nov. 1, 2012. Please download [2013 Youth In Action Award Guidelines](#) for complete award information and application rules

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## WOODBURY COUNTY 4-H NEWS

### 4-H County Council Elect Officers

At the August meeting the 4-H County Council elected officers.

Megan Meister – President  
Natalie Lord – Vice President  
Alex Pulford – Secretary  
Merrill Brady – Treasurer  
Tommy Dirks – Photographer

The council is busy planning the 4-H Halloween Party on Sunday, October 28 and the 4-H Holiday on Sunday, November 4. Alex will be putting the minutes in the Anthon and Merville newspapers.

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## WOODBURY COUNTY 4-H NEWS

### 4-H & Fair Committee

The next meeting of the 4-H & Fair committee will be held on Thursday, October 11, 7:00 pm at the Fair Office in Merville. The agenda will include evaluating the county fair in 4-H departments, and setting the Personnel committee to select 4-H Fair Superintendents.

If you would like to become a member of this group, please contact Wayne Ralston at 712-873-3916 or Lujan at the Extension Office 712-276-2157.

This is a 4-H committee responsible for 4-H fair rules and guidelines, Hall of Fame nominations, and 4-H Fair Superintendent positions. The committee meets 3- 4 times a year.

If you are interested in becoming a 4-H Superintendent, please let us know. The Personnel committee will meet later this fall to select 4-H Fair Superintendents.

## OUR VISION

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



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## Enroll in 4-H using 4-H Online

**4-H'ers can start enrolling in 4-H Online. Volunteers may also enroll in 4-H Online.**

New this year - if your family was in 4-H last year and you have a younger brother or sister joining, they will be able to enroll on line. No paper work is needed. If your family was in 4-H last year, you already have a profile. **Do not** create a new profile. If you forgot your password, click on "I forgot my password." This would include 4-H Volunteers that have already been volunteering and now has a child ready to join 4-H.

For brand new 4-H families who have not been in 4-H, you will now be able to enroll in 4-H Online. New families will need to check "I need to setup a profile." You do not need to fill out the paperwork: Enrollment Form, Health form and Code of Conduct. You will do that all online.

Families without internet and/or computer can fill out paper enrollment form, health and code of conduct. The Extension Office staff will enter your information. You can request paperwork from your 4-H Leader or the Extension Office.

After you have entered your data you will be pending. We must receive your enrollment fee to make you "active". All 4-H'ers from last year must be enrolled by December 15. New 4-H'ers have until May 15 (unless you are exhibiting Market Beef and then you must be enrolled by December 15).

- **MAKE CORRECTIONS:** When you do enroll in 4-H online, make sure you correct any errors, update information and always double check any information you enter.
- **Your EMAIL address is IMPORTANT:** If your email has changed from last year you must give us your new email before you can enter into 4-H Online. **DO NOT create a new profile.** Make sure it is an email that you regularly look at. The State 4-H Office uses your email to send out information and we also do that on the county level. The state 4-H Office will also be using 4-H Online for 4-H'ers to sign up for various 4-H Events. Again this year livestock can also be entered into 4-H Online especially if you plan to exhibit at State Fair.

If you have questions, be sure to contact the Woodbury County Extension Office. We know the first few years everyone many of questions, but we know it will get easier the more 4-H Online is used.

**The Website is:**

<https://iowa.4honline.com> – September 16 was the start date

**Helpsheets:** <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4honline-helpsheets>

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## 4-H Enrollment Fee 2012-2013

Woodbury County Farm Bureau and the Woodbury County Extension Council will each again contribute \$5 toward the enrollment fee, so that 4-H members in Woodbury County will only need to pay the \$20 enrollment fee.

All 4-H'ers who were enrolled in 4-H last year will need to enter online on or before December 15 (after that date the fee will be \$30). Youth new to 4-H who want to be able to exhibit at the county fair will need to enroll by May 15; their fee will be kept at \$20.

Thank you Woodbury County Farm Bureau and the Woodbury County Extension Council!

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# Calendar

## OCTOBER

- October 7-13 National 4-H Week  
Monday, October 8 Woodbury County Extension Council Meeting, Woodbury County Fairgrounds, 4-H office, Merville, 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, October 10 Deadline for Zoo Trip registration. See Enclosed Flier.  
Thursday, October 11 4-H & Fair Committee, at the Woodbury County Fair office, Merville, 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday, October 13 4-H On the Mall, Singing Hills Mall, 1-4:00 p.m.  
Sunday, October 21 4-H County Council Meeting, 7:00 pm at the Fair Office in Merville  
Wednesday, October 24 4-H Recognition Team Meeting 6:30-8:30 pm, Woodbury County Extension Office  
Sunday, October 28 4-H Halloween Party at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds in Merville starting at 6:30 p.m.– 8:00 p.m.

## NOVEMBER

- Friday-Saturday Nov. 2-3 4-H at Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha. See registration flier in the Sept *4-H Scene*  
Saturday, November 3 New Volunteer Training in Sioux Center, IA for a list of other sites/date and to register: To register, go to <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volunteertraining> and click Registration for New Volunteer Training in the bottom right red box. Registration closes a week before the training date and it is now ready.  
Sunday, November 4 4-H Holiday, 4:00 pm (location pending)

## DECEMBER

- Saturday, December 15 All 4-H'ers in 4-H last year and also those who plan to exhibit Market Beef must be enrolled by December 15 for the \$20 fee, after December 15 the fee rises to \$30. All new 4-H'ers have until May 15 to enroll in 4-H and their fee remands at \$20.

## FUTURE DATES

- March 2, 2013 Judges Training in Buena Vista County in Storm Lake  
For other dates/locations see [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/adults/judges](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/adults/judges) or Article in this issue of the October *4-H Scene*  
July 29, 2013 4-H Building Judging Day  
July 30, 2013 4-H Fair Livestock Entry  
July 31- August 4, 2013 Woodbury County Fair

## LOST & FOUND

Found Sunday of the Fair a blower/dryer near the cattle barn. If you are missing this item, please contact the Woodbury County Fair office.

# WANT TO KNOW MORE?

FIND US AT: [EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/4H/WOODBURY](http://EXTENSION.IASTATE.EDU/4H/WOODBURY)