



SEPTEMBER 2012 4-H SCENE



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Here is information to help you enroll in 4-H for the new 4-H Year. 4-H'ers can start enrolling in 4-H online starting on September 16. 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 online. 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 and that will 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 and update information and always double check any information you enter.

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

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

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 the Iowa State Fair.

If you have questions, be sure to contact the Woodbury County Extension office. I know the first few years everyone had lots of questions, but I know it will get easier the more 4-H online is used.

Lujean Faber

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Tips for 2013 County Fair

The 2012 Woodbury County Fair is over. Thank you to all the 4-H volunteers who help make the fair a success! I hope that all 4-H families had a great fair.

Here are 3 important tips to help 4-H families for next year:

Attend 4-H Club meetings. 4-H member should be attending meetings and parents are always welcomed. If you miss a meeting contact the leader to find out what you missed.

Read the 4-H Scene. The *4-H Scene* has important information such as due dates, workshops and upcoming events. Then put important information somewhere that

is easy for you to remember.

Read the rules in the fair book. From some of the questions we receive, if 4-H families take some time to read through the department's rules, it will help the 4-H member know what is required and help them prepare their projects for fair.

For more information on having a successful 4-H year – see the article “Helpful Hints for a Successful Year” in this issue of the *4-H Scene*.

Next year's fair is July 31 - August 4, July 29 will be the 4-H Building Judging and July 30 will be livestock entry.

Apply for the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

For any Woodbury County 4-H youth volunteer. If you've made a difference through volunteering over the past year, you could win \$1,000 and a trip to Washington, D.C., next May – by applying for a Prudential Spirit of Community Award!

Even more importantly, you could win recognition that might inspire other young people to follow your example. These prestigious awards, sponsored by Prudential Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals,

have honored more than 100,000 middle and high school students at the local, state and national level over the past 17 years solely for their volunteer work.

It's easy to apply:

Visit <http://spirit.prudential.com> or www.nassp.org/spirit, click on the “Apply Now” link, and follow the on screen instructions. Application deadline is November 6, 2012.

4-H Enrollment Information for 2012-2013

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\$30). Youth new to 4-H and what 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!

2012 State Fair Communications Videos Online!

We are excited 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

Graduated Senior

Congratulations to 4-H Member Kallie Grieme! She was omitted from last month's article on Graduated Seniors.

MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING



National 4-H Week: October 7-13, 2012



Make your plans for National 4-H Week. To get you started here are a few ideas.

- Start making a poster on Joining 4-H in your school (be sure to ask for permission).
- Decorate a bulletin board at school or church.
- Have a 4-H Find Out in your community; it's a good time to display your fair projects.
- Distribute cookies to donors to 4-H, businesses or people who helped you at the fair.
- Hand out green & white jelly beans to classmates.
- Write a thank you note to your 4-H leaders and others who helped you get ready for fair.

- Plan a day that your club can share your fair projects with others.

- Plan a community service and wear a 4-H T-shirt.

- Tell your friends about the fun you have in 4-H.

The most successful form of recruitment is 4-H'ers inviting their friends or other youth to your 4-H Club meeting. We only need 18 new 4-H'ers to reach our 3% goal for 2013, but that means we want to keep all our 4-H'ers from last year!

WOODBURY COUNTY 4-H NEWS

4-H County Council



The 2012-2013 4-H County Council members are:

Merrill Brady
Tommy Dirks
James Goodin
Megan Glover
Natalie Lord
Sophie Lord
Megan Meister
John Nelson
McKenzie Oregon

Alex Pulford
Brandon Sitzmann
Shelby Weber
Emily Widman
Ashley Williams

If you have ideas on what you would like this group to plan, please contact them. Last year they planned the 4-H Holiday, 4-H Halloween Party, 4-H Regional Lock-in, Pre Fair Event and helped with various recruitment events.

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 p.m. at the Woodbury County Fair office in Merville.

The agenda will include evaluating the county fair 4-H departments, 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 Lujean 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.

OUR VISION

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



4-H'ers Making the Best Better

Congratulations to ALL the 4-H Exhibitors at this year's county fair!
There were many outstanding exhibits, but
best of all are the Woodbury County 4-H members!
Woodbury County 4-H'ers who exhibited at the Iowa
State Fair in Communications, 4-H Building, Clothing Events and Livestock/Animals:

Justin Beeson	William Herbold	Megan Meister	Halle Still
Bailey Benton	Gwenyth Hoogendyk	Brendan Norris	Makenna Smith
Allison Bermel	Katrina Hoogendyk	Levi Paulsen	Louren Sobaski
Merrill Brady	Jayce Ingram	Brandee Petersen	Alexis Sobieski
Michaela Bremer	Jessica Ingram	Casie Petersen	Kari Swanson
MaKenna Carver	Gabbi Jansen	Tyler Perez	Trina Swanson
Colton Cockburn	Madison Jochum	Alex Pulford	Brooklyn Topf
Cole Coover	Adrianna Junck	Morgan Rassel	Alexandra Townsend
Katie Dinelli	Mitchell Junge	Paige Rassel	Dillon Weaver
Emilee Droegmiller	Evan Kaler	Cody Ricke	Kalli Weber
Kylie Gates	Jacen Kaler	Kaitlyn Ricke	Emily Widman
Dan Glover	NaTasha Lewis	Shane Ringling	Matthew Wright
Kathleen Glover	Natalie Lord	Brittany Schermann	Molly Wyant
Kassidy Harpenau	Sophie Lord	James Schram	
Austin Hazard	Patrick McGowan	Kelli Schram	
Bailey Henschen	Carly Meister	Alec Still	

Special State Fair Recognition

NaTasha Lewis was one of 20 4-H'ers who received the 4-H Gallery Award Winners from the Professional Photographers of Iowa. Evan Kaler is a Medal Winner and was considered for the 4-H Gallery Award.

Our Woodbury team of: Anna Plathe, Jessica Kratz and Lauren Sobaski -- Won 1st place in the Jr. Division of "Cook This" Challenge at the Iowa State Fair.

As you prepare for next year's fair, the college of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Iowa State University awards ten scholarships of \$500 each to 4-H members with outstanding exhibits that represent majors in the college.

4-H PLEDGE

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4-H'ers Who Will Exhibit at Clay County Fair and AK-SAR-BEN

Clay County Fair will be held September 8-13. Below are the entries from Woodbury County.

Livestock & Animals: Rachel Stewart, Trina Stewart, Ben Schlumbohm, Brady Schlumbohm, Kyler Lewis, Austin Williamson, Brent Meister, Karli Durst, Jade Hadley, Chrissa Deeds, Hunter Deeds, Alana Redenius, Ryan Redenius, Dillon Weaver, Autumn Weaver, Justin Beeson, Brandee Petersen, Hailey Klaschen, Alexandria Pulford, Adrianna Junck, Summer Beery, Tyler Vohs, Cameron O'Connell, Tyler O'Connell, Austin Hazard, Justin Krogh, Bailey Benton, Casey Benton

Consumer Judging Contest:

Junior Team: Kelsey Jones, Patrick McGowan, Jessica Kratz, Kiana Fjeldheim and alternate Kari Swanson

Senior Team: Shane Ringling, Alexis Cloud, Michelle Donner and Alyx Worrell

Communications: Carly Meister, Casie Petersen, Tess Lord, Sam McGowan, Thomas McGowan, Nick McGowan, Patrick McGowan,

District Clothing Event: Annie Lord, Sam McGowan

AK-SAR-BEN: September 27-30. The following are Entries from Woodbury County:

Justin Beeson
Summer Beery
Brandee Petersen
Alexandria Pulford
Halle Still
Alex Still
Austin Hazard
Tyler Vohs
Cameron O'Connell
Tyler O'Connell

If you have questions concerning Livestock, animals or AK-SAR-BEN please contact:

Laura Johnson at (712) 276-2157 or laurajoh@iastate.edu.

For questions about Consumer Judging, Clothing Event or Communications please contact Lujean Faber at:

(712) 276-2157 or faber@iastate.edu.

The 4-H Program Fee

Woodbury County Farm Bureau and the Woodbury County Extension Council will each contribute \$5 towards the enrollment fee, 4-H members in Woodbury County will only need to pay the \$20 enrollment fee. All 4-H'ers enrolled in 4-H last year will need to enter online on or before Saturday, December 15 (after Saturday, December 15 you will need to pay the \$30 fee). Youth new to 4-H will need to enroll by May 15, 2013 – their fee will stay at \$20).

The 4-H Program Fee helps to support:

24,000 youth with opportunities to develop their interests in topics from astronomy to wildlife in club environments.

87,000 youth in short term experiences on a variety of topics, with the opportunity for them to join in long-term activities in club environments.

Hands-on real life experiences for youth.

More than 11,000 youth and adult volunteers who give their time to keep the 4-H program alive and strong in Iowa.

County and Regional Youth Staff with resources (training and materials) to help the local program

Innovative clubs and activities (such as SESS, cooking clubs, "Stitch This", online clubs, and others).

Volunteer and Judges Training using new technologies.

Groups of volunteers, staff and adults with the planning and implementation of statewide events and activities.

County staff with orientation, training and possible supervision.

Youth leadership empowerment activities.

Research based information to the local community on youth development and youth issues.

User friendly web-pages for youth and volunteers.

Regional and statewide partnership development that will enhance local youth programming.

Opportunities for leadership development and practice.

Training for adults on how to work with youth as partners.

Regional and State programs.

A few suggestions to help with the fee: a gift from a grandparent, have a club fund-raiser, club treasury could pay for part of fee (if approved by club members) or a club can ask a business in their community to help support this fee. The Iowa 4-H program does have financial assistance for families who may need help with the 4-H enrollment fee. Every child who wants to join 4-H should be able to participate.

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Helpful Hints for a Successful 4-H year!

Here is some important information to help you get a good start on the new 4-H year!

Attend Club Meetings If you missed a meeting you will be missing important information to help you throughout the 4-H year and for the Fair. Be a part of your club volunteer for committees or help put chairs away and attend activities. If you are an officer it's your responsibility to take that office seriously. Parents are always invited to meetings and be sure to offer your help to the 4-H Leaders.

Workshops Volunteers and staff work hard to have helpful and fun workshops. These workshops are scheduled throughout the year. Imagine how disappointed we are when only a few 4-H'ers show interest or when we have to cancel workshops due to low interest.

4-H Scene Due dates and deadlines are never kept a secret. The due dates and deadlines can be found in the 4-H Scene. The 4-H Scene newsletter is sent to every family.

Woodbury County Fair book Keep this year's fair book as a

reference as you set your project goals for next year. The 2013 fair book will be out next May. The 2012 fair book can also be found online at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/4h>. If you are interested in a project area, thoroughly read the rules and guidelines for that department. If there is a website listed, go to that site and look over the information.

Websites The Iowa State 4-H Website is located at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/> this site extremely helpful. The Project Hot Sheets can be found at this site and you can start exploring projects you are interested. Or go to the Woodbury County Extension Website at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/>

By attending your 4-H meetings, reading the 4-H Scene, reading the fair rules in the department you will be interested in, exploring projects on the websites and attending workshops you will have a successful 4-H year!

4-H Judges Training Dates/Locations

If you are interested in becoming a 4-H Judge or know of someone who would like to learn more about judging please plan on attending of the 4-H Judge's training. 4-H Leaders may also want to attend a training to learn more about the judging experience to help their members.

October 20, 2012 — Story County, Extension 4-H Youth Building, Ames

November 3, 2012 — Winneshiek County, NE Iowa Dairy Center on Calmar Campus of Northeast Iowa Community College

January 19, 2013 — Linn County Extension office, Marion

March 2, 2013 — Buena Vista County, Storm Lake Middle School, Storm Lake

March 9, 2013 — Johnson County Extension office, Iowa City

March 9, 2013 — Kossuth County, First Presbyterian Church, 101 N Main, Algona

March 9, 2013 — Pottawattamie, Carson Comm. Ctr.

March 16, 2013 — Clarke County Fairgrounds Event Center, Osceola

Why should you attend this training?

The training builds knowledge and skills needed for a quality judging experience.

New judges have the opportunity to "practice" before direct inter-action with youth.

Learn about revised and updated resources for judges, including website and online resources.

The first four hours of the training (includes lunch) builds judging and evaluation knowledge and skills for new judges, parents, and interested volunteers, and the last two hours are project area specific.

Training presented by 4-H staff and experienced judges.

Experienced judges are welcome to attend to brush-up on their expertise or expand their project knowledge base.

More information and instructions on how to register for the training will be coming soon! Check with the Extension office or visit www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/adults/judges for more information as it becomes available!

Safe Food Workshop

Tuesday, September 4, 9 a.m. – 11a.m.

Midtown Community Center, 525 14th Street, Sioux City- FREE

This two hour food safety class is for anyone who serves food... either at club meetings, family events, fund raisers or more. Whether you are serving popcorn at a club meeting or making chili for a club fundraiser... you need to know about safe

food handling! Hands-on, interactive learning! Participants will receive a food safety handbook, a food safety training certificate and tools for practicing safe food handling. For more information contact Renee Sweers, Nutrition & Health Program Specialist, at: (712) 276-2157 or email her at rsweers@iastate.edu

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Calendar

SEPTEMBER

September 8-16 Clay County Fair
September 16 4-H County Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Woodbury County Extension office
September 27-30 AK-SAR-BEN

Sign up for the **Winter Master Gardener Class beginning Thursday, Sept. 6.** Contact Woodbury County Extension office for details

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 28 4-H Halloween Party at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds in Merville starting at 6:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

Friday-Saturday Nov. 2-3 4-H at Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha. See registration flier in this month's *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.

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 or Article in this issue of the September *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