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HELPFUL HINTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL 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 and volunteer for committees, 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. Your 4-H Leader is there to help you.

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 response.

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. If you lose the 4-H Scene it is available on our website. Be sure to write the due dates down or put into your phone. It is your responsibility!

Woodbury County Fair book: Keep this year’s fair book as a reference as you set your project goals for next year. The 2015 fair book will be out next May. The 2014 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. Next year’s fair will be July 29 -August 2, 2015 – 4-H Exhibit Judging day is July 27 and Livestock entry night is July 28.

Websites: The Iowa State 4-H Website is located at this site: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/ and is extremely helpful. The Project Hot Sheets can be found at this site and you can start exploring projects you are interested in. 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 are interested in, exploring projects on the websites and attending workshops you will have a successful 4-H year!
Start to Enroll in 4-H Online starting September 15

Starting September 15 (do NOT enroll any sooner or you pay double the fee) all 4-H members, clover kids, and 4-H Volunteers who were in last year need to: https://iowa.4honline.com/. Please update your information, fill out the medical form, and code of conduct. If your family has a new email, they must first contact the Extension Office. If you “forgot” your password, in 4-H Online select “I forgot my password” and a new one will be sent to you via email.

4-H Fee: We are hoping the 4-H fee will remain at $20 for 4-H members. The Woodbury County Farm Bureau and Woodbury County Extension have for several years given $5 each towards the $30 enrollment fee. When we know for sure the amount of the enrollment fee, we will let your 4-H leader know and it will also be in the next 4-H Scene. There is no enrollment fee for 4-H clover kids, but they must enroll in 4honline.

We will be closing down 4-H Online Enrollment program to new 4-H Families and new 4-H volunteers (volunteers that don’t already have children in 4-H and have never volunteered). One reason is that we want to be sure families new to 4-H receive the 4-H Scene, and new adult volunteers receive information on the Child Protection Policy.

4-H Clubs who have new families or new volunteers joining 4-H in the 2014-2015 4-H year, please have them fill out the following information:

Family Name (First and Last Name):
Address and/or post office address:
Town, State and Zip Code:
Phone Number:
Family Email : - it should be an email they look at (if they don’t have an email, this may be omitted).

This information may be emailed to Lujean at faber@iastate.edu or may be sent to the Woodbury County Extension Office. 4-H Leaders can also send the information to Lujean. After their profile is created, Lujean will send the family an email or phone call and let them know that they can fill out the other information on their child. If the family doesn’t have the internet, they can still fill out all the paperwork: 4-H Enrollment Form, Medical Form and Code of Conduct.

4-H Families that are already in 4-H Online may start to enroll AFTER September 15 for the new 4-H Year. Just go to: https://iowa.4honline.com/ - if you enroll before September 15, you will be charged an extra $30 because the program will think you are enrolling in the old 4-H year. Remember any family that has a new email, must first send that new information to our office, otherwise they won’t be able to get into 4-H Online.

Whenever you have questions about 4-H Online, be sure to contact us at the Woodbury County Extension office.
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:

- Emilee Beekman
- Summer Beery
- Isaac Beeson
- Allison Bermel
- Kiley Boeshart
- Mikayla Boeshart
- Michaela Bremer
- Chloe Coover
- Shea Corey
- Rachel Dreeszen
- Kiana Fjeldheim
- Dan Glover
- Kathleen Glover
- Mitchell Godfredson
- Good Luck Clovers 4-H club
- Bailey Henschen
- Danielle Hinrickson
- Sierra Hinrickson
- Katrina Hoogendyk
- Emily Hoy
- Benton Jackson
- Gabbie Jansen
- Madison Jochum
- Adrianna Junck
- Hailey Kaschen
- Hunter Koehn
- Dylan Lewis
- Annie Lord
- Brent Meister
- Libby Markham
- Grace McGowan
- Nick McGowan
- Patrick McGowan
- Sam McGowan
- Thomas McGowan
- Bailey McKenna
- Carly Meister
- Taylor Muth
- Brendan Norris
- Tyler Paulsen
- Mason Ploen
- Alex Pulford
- Michael Radican
- Rockin’ Riversiders 4-H Club
- Ben Schram
- Makenna Smith
- Alec Still
- Halle Still
- Lexi Strachan
- Kari Swanson
- Preston Tooley
- Autumn Weaver
- Dillon Weaver
- Makalila Whittaker
- Bethany Widman
- Emily Widman
- Gracia Widman
- Austin Wilcox
- Alexis Sobieski Zenor

2014 4-H Food and Nutrition Judges’ Choice went to Patrick McGowan on his blueberry bundt cake.
2014 4-H Home Improvement Judges’ Choice went to Grace McGowan on her wicker chair and table.
2014 4-H Visual Art Judges’ Choice went to Kari Swanson on her pastel selfie.

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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.
Thank you!

The Woodbury County 4-H program would like to thank Jim Thomas for all of his time spent delivering the Woodbury County building exhibits to the Iowa State Fair! Jim has volunteered to transport the 4-H building exhibits for many years and we are so thankful! Thank you very much for all you do Jim!

We also would like to thank the Troy Lewis Family and Dave Radican Family for also helping with state fair check in and check out!

Cook This!

Thirteen teams of youth in grades 5-12 competed in the final Cook This! competition, which included culinary, communications and nutritional challenges. They were the top-placing junior, intermediate and senior age divisions teams from the preliminary 4-H Cook This! event at Iowa State University earlier this summer. Eighty-five youth competed in the preliminary event.

On August 7, Cook This! teams competed at the Iowa State Fair. Woodbury County had two first place teams!

First Place in the Junior Level in grades 5-6 are Kiana Fjeldheim, Annie Lord and Natalie Verschoor.
First Place in the Intermediate Level in grades 7-8 are Jessica Kratz, Anna Plathe and Lauren Sobaski.
Congratulations to both teams!

4-H Hall Of Fame

Congratulations goes to Maggie Locke who was this year’s Woodbury County Hall of Fame recipient. Maggie was recognized at the County Fair on Sunday, August 3. She was honored at the Iowa State Fair on August 17. Maggie is the current small pet and cat 4-H Superintendent. She was the 4-H Leader of the Woodbury Westsiders 4-H Club. Maggie was instrumental in pet therapy at two local nursing homes for over 25 years. The nursing home residents would enjoy goodie bags at different holidays, which the 4-H’ers made and put together at club meetings. She also put together a community service project that was the renovation of the goat and rabbit barns at the Woodbury County Fair.

Maggie was a firm believer that 4-H was definitely a family affair and claimed that she really got to know a lot of special families through working with the 4-H’er and their families.
The 4-H County Council had their first meeting and have set goals for the coming 4-H Year. The 4-H County Council members are: Summer Beery, Kiley Boeshart, Michaela Bremer, Trace Christiansen, Cole Coover, Karli Durst, Karissa Fjeldheim, Kathleen Glover, Hailey Klaschen, Sophie Lord, Grace McGowan, Brady Meister, Brent Meister, Paul Nelson and McKenzie Oregon.

Officers were selected at their August Meeting. Sophie Lord was elected President. McKenzie Oregon is Vice President. Karli Durst was elected Secretary.

A few of their goals: Continue the service learning by having 4-H Clubs donate snacks to the afterschool 4-H program, attending 4-H Club meetings, inviting Intermediate and senior members to their meetings, planning the Halloween Party on October 26, planning an overnight leadership camp at Lake Okoboji, continue to assist at Midtown 4-H camps and events, promote State 4-H Conference and having the Chore Olympics at the 2015 county fair.

Their next meeting is Sunday, September 21, 6:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds in Moville.

The 4-H County Council has set as one of their goals to invite both Intermediates and Senior members to attend their meetings. 4-H County Council meetings are usually held on a Sunday and alternate between Moville and Sioux City. They want your ideas and help in planning county events. Their next meeting is Sunday, September 21, 6:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds in Moville.

Learn about 4-H and participate in a geocache event at the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center on Sunday, October 19. Resource Naturalist, Jim Henning, will set up a scavenger hunt using GPS technology. Everyone will receive a treasure! Bring your family, club and friends to celebrate National “4-H Month” in Woodbury County on October 19.

Go Go Cache It will take place at the nature center located at 4500 Sioux River Road starting at 2:00 p.m. The event will end at 4:00 p.m. with cookies and hot cocoa. More Information in the next 4-H Scene.

Lina Zahnley, Chaplin from the American Legion Auxiliary Mumford Post #9 out of Correctionville, Iowa, is asking 4-H’ers and 4-H clubs for help.

The first project is for veterans when they come to the veterans hospitals; many times they bring their children. The auxiliary needs help with supplies that go into the bags with crayons, coloring books, books, gently used items and even help with making the bags. The second project is making dog pillows to use in hospitals. Third project is quilts of love, a 62 x80 inch blanket with material on the top and fleece on the bottom. The 4th project she would like to get off the ground is moisture proof pads that the homeless can lay their blanket or sleeping bags on.

Linda can be reached at email at: lkzahnley@gmail.com. She would be glad to come out to your club to talk about these items.
The 4-H New Year

4-H Clubs can gear up for the 4-H Year. An excellent site is “4-H Clubs” located at: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/programs/4hclubs

This site will give you resources on:
- Pre-meeting activities
- Tips for conducting Club meeting
- Information to help new 4-H Officers with a power point and written information that you can downloaded
- Parliamentary Procedure
- Ceremony Ideas
- Participation Policy – how many meetings must a 4-H’er attend and what they must do as a 4-H member

And lots more!

4-H & Fair Committee

The next meeting of the 4-H & Fair Committee will be held on Thursday, October 2, 7:00 p.m. at the Woodbury County Fair office in Moville. The agenda will include evaluating the county fair 4-H departments and setting the personnel committee to select 4-H fair superintendents. The meeting, as are all 4-H meetings, is open to anyone who is interested in attending. If you have agenda items, please let Wayne Ralston or Lujean Faber know several days before the meeting.

If you would like to become a member of this group, please contact: Chair, 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.

4-H Equestrian Team Competition

Emmet County Fairgrounds, Estherville, IA 51334

September 27, 10:00 a.m. start time

Lunch stand on grounds

All classes (except In-Hand Obstacle Relay, Two man Bi-Rangle and Canadian Flags) will follow regulations and judging criteria described in “4-H Rules and Regulations for Equine Shows in Iowa” 4H 511C Revised June 2013. Rules and criteria for In-Hand Obstacle Relay, Two-man Bi-Rangle and Canadian Flags can be provided on request.

Entry form is available at the extension office. Cost is $25 Team entry fee – to be sent to Emmet County Extension, 26 S. 17th Street, Estherville, IA 51334 postmarked by September 22, 2014. For more information contact Lisa Berkland at 712-380-5595 or email lisaberk@iastate.edu
4-H Halloween Party

The 4-H County Council is again planning the 4-H Halloween party. Plans are to have food, games, crafts and the haunted stables! For 4-H’ers who enroll in 4-H and have their enrollment fee into the office by October 15 – the cost to attend the Halloween party will be free. 4-H’ers not yet enrolled by October 15 will need to pay $3 and at the door the cost will be $5. The party will be held on Sunday, October 26, 6:30 p.m. at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds. More details and a registration form will be in the October 4-H Scene.

Celebrate National 4-H Week October 5-11, 2014

Now is the time to start planning 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, church or a community center or business.
• 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.
• Perform community service and wear a 4-H t-shirt.
• Tell your friends about the fun you have in 4-H.

National 4-H Week | 4-H Pride Contest for Woodbury County 4-H Clubs

We will be having a club contest to see who can celebrate national 4-H week the best! Share your 4-H pride with your family, friends and neighbors! We want to see which club has the most 4-H pride in Woodbury county. The club that shows the most 4-H pride will win a free pizza party at their November club meeting.

To enter the contest, please either e-mail or post your photos to the Woodbury County 4-H facebook page of your club showing off their 4-H pride! All photos must be submitted by October 15th for judging. Photos can be emailed to Laura Johnson at laurajoh@iastate.edu

GET CREATIVE, HAVE FUN, AND SHOW YOUR 4-H PRIDE!

4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH
2014 – 2015 4-H Recognition Team

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 2014-2015. 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; 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 important give your ideas and suggestions to make the Woodbury 4-H program better!

Our first meeting of the 4-H Year will be held on Wednesday, October 29, 6:30 p.m. at the Woodbury County Extension Office. Pizza will be served.

If you are interested in becoming a member, you may e-mail faber@iastate.edu or come to the meeting on October 29.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lujean at the Woodbury County Extension office.

2013-2014 4-H Recognition Team members:

Kiley Boeshart  Patrick McGowan
Kaetlee Feddersen  Andrea Mitchell
Eileen Lord  Tyler Perez
Tess Lord  Bethany Widman
Sophie Lord  Elizabeth Widman
Cathleen McGowan  Emily Widman
Grace McGowan  Debbie Wilcox
Mary McGowan  Cheryl Zobel
## Calendar of 4-H Events

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*Woodbury County Master Gardener Tip for September: Put three stakes or posts around young trees to prevent damage from deer this fall.*