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State Leader Cites "Red Letter" Foundation Year

President's Message

I am pleased to present the annual report of the Iowa 4-H Foundation.

1980-81 was an unusually good year. Anchored by its traditional strengths, 4-H adapted to the changing circumstances of the eighties and kept pace with the new social and educational needs of the young people served by this extraordinarily valuable program.

Several highlights marked the entry of 4-H into the decade just emerging, but those most noteworthy were, I believe, the program priorities of audience expansion, volunteer staff development, local club support, and curriculum development.

4-H depends heavily on private and corporate gifts—gifts which add a high level of excellence. It is for this support and for the excellence it generates that we are exceedingly grateful.

Sincerely yours,

W. Robert Parks

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President, Iowa 4-II Foundation
Board of Trustees

One of the most exciting accomplishments related to the Iowa 4-H and youth program this year is the work of the Iowa 4-H Foundation.

New donors, increased contributions from the Iowa banks, accelerated 4-II 400 activity and increased activity by trustees, all have combined to make this a "red letter" year. With these accomplishments, we have demonstrated that additional private money is available in Iowa for 4-II programs.

The 4-H young people and adults involved in Iowa's largest youth program (83,000 youth and 10,200 volunteers), are able to participate in more educational experiences and to have increased opportunities for growth because of your contributions. We are grateful to the 756 contributors who have joined hands with Iowa State University to provide educational experiences for youth. Thanks for your support.

Sincerely,

Jerry Parsons State leader

4-H and youth programs

4-H involves youth and adults. Some 83,000 boys and girls participated in Iowa 4-H and youth programs last year. They learned by doing, under the guidance of 10,200 adult volunteer leaders and 2,300 teen leaders.

4-H in Iowa

4-H offers a broad choice of opportunities. 4-H youth could select from 118 different projects to meet their individual needs and interests.

4-H'ers come from all over: farms—40 percent; town and rural non-farm—28 percent; towns and cities of 10,000 to 50,000—8 percent suburbs of cities over 50,000—1 percent; and central cities over 50,000—21 percent.

In energy conservation, 4-II members have assisted families in home energy audits, included energy-saving ideas in exhibits and education presentations, and built and installed a solar water heater as part of the hot water system in Linden Lodge at the 4-H camping center.

4-H'ers plan and conduct state 4-H conference. 1,300 youth and 250 adults from across the state participated in the 1981 state 4-H conference on the campus of Iowa State University. 4-H conference is a learning experience in a university setting that helps many youth set higher educational goals.

4-H alumni and current 4-H'ers include one of every four Iowa citizens. Many former 4-H members credit their 4-H experiences for their career choices and their achievements in life. Many alumni describe the program as an exciting, dynamic, and educational, helping young people grow into responsible, productive, and self-guided citizens.

How Your Contributions Were Used

Leadership Training Funded Financial support for the second State Volunteer 4-H Leaders Forum held last spring came from the Iowa 4-H Foundation. Participants numbered 125.

This leadership training was primarily planned and conducted by the Iowa delegates to the U.S. Regional Volunteer 4-H Leaders Forum during the fall of 1980. The Foundation also gave partial financial support for that Regional Forum.

In addition, Foundation supported additional leadership training. This included county and multicounty volunteer leader training, junior leadership training, teaching aids, and camp counselor training.

After attending the U.S. Regional Volunteer 4-H Leaders Forum. Mrs. Roberta Hall, Neola, wrote, "I would like to thank the Iowa 4-H Foundation for providing the funds for registration and housing at Purdue. I do appreciate the support. I've been a 4-H leader for 12 years in our community, and how I wish I could have had this experience

when I started working in the 4-H program. We gained so many ideas and inspiration to help us be effective leaders. I learned how I could truly be a better leader for a great youth organization—4-H!"

Another delegate wrote, "Dear Mr. Davidson: I want to thank the Iowa 4-H Foundation for providing some funds for me as an Iowa delegate to attend the North Central Regional 4-H Leaders Forum held at Purdue University.

"It was a wonderful experience for me, and I came home with a lot of good information to share with leaders in Greene County. I am a 4-H leader and also the office assistant in the Greene County Extension Office, so I have lots of opportunities to help other leaders with their club work.

"The program, 'How Leaders Can Motivate Members and Parents,' by Dr. Don Clifton, was great. I attended the workshop on "Brown Bag Demonstrations," and "Involving Partents in 4-H." The sessions on "How to Use Recreation" were also very good.

"Thanks so much for making it possible for me to attend this forum. Sincerely, Helen Swartz."

Leader Recognition

Financial support provides length-of-service pins to recognize adult volunteer leaders.

Benefits to 4-H Members

Financial support to conduct educational programs in the many project areas for 4-H'ers. It also made possible such events and activities as State 4-H Conference, State Leadership Workshops, Conservation Workshop, day camping, International Four-H Youth Exchange (I.F.Y.E.), Camp I Can, National 4-H conference, and National 4-H Congress. Donor contributions also provide achievement award recognition to 4-H members at the county and state level.

Marlene Baughman: Denison, served as an adult delegate to the National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C. She wrote, "One of the highlights of the 1981 National 4-H Conference for me was my participation in the Volunteer Leader Consulting Group. This group of adults and youth identified the problem of recruiting and maintaining volunteers for 4-H. After this process was completed, we made recommedations to help solve the situation. The sharing of ideas and discovering solutions was especially helpful to me as a county 4-H aide for recruiting volunteers in our county 4-H program. I am pleased to report since the conference, I have recruited six county project leaders and two community club leaders. The biggest thrill for me was the opportunity to work with 4-H youth and adults from all parts of the country and having tyhe unique pleasure of attending the conference with my son, who was also a delegate. It will be an experience I will always treasure."



The Iowa 4-H Foundation funds various forms of leadership training. Here State 4-H Council members work in small groups to increase their communication and leadership skills.

A Recipient of a State Award Wrote "Dear Mr. Davidson,

"I would like to thank you and the Iowa 4-H Foundation for sponsoring me for my trip to Chicago at the National 4-H Congress. It was an experience I will never forget. It was very neat because I met people from all over the United States and learned more about 4-H and I did widen my horizons. I appreciate your interest in supporting a state winner to this great Congress. Thanks again, Dawn Nelson."

Scholarships

Financial aid is provided to help youth from financially disadvantaged families to participate in 4-H events and programs at the county, area, and national level. College scholarships are also provided to 4-H members in recognition of project achievements. This year 25 youth received scholarships from the Iowa 4-H Foundation.

An adult chaperone for a citizenship Washington Focus trip verified the contributions of a scholarship recipient who was part of the group.

"We are aware that one of our student delegates, Miss Laurie Larsen, received some financial support from the Iowa 4-H Foundation. we want you to know that this money was certainly well spent."

"Laurie was an outstanding delegate! She was elected by her peers to a prestigious three-person legislative committee and conducted herself in a most admirable way. Not only was she a leader among our Iowa delegation but also among the 500-plus delegates who were present from other states during that week."

Ray Studer, area Extension 4-H and youth leader, added, "Scholarships for camp and educational trips often are used to lessen the cost for the families involved, but seldom have I observed that they truly are the deciding factor in the member's participation. However, I can say that the financial assistance that the Iowa 4-H Foundation provided to Laurie Larsen for the 1981 C-WF experience did make that difference. Thanks!"

Funds Aid Small Town Outreach in Polk County

The Iowa 4-H Foundation grant of \$1,850 partially funded the Great New Learning Mobil that began this summer in Polk county. The project attempts to determine impact possibilities on small towns, with special attention being given to boys.

During the first two weeks of summer, teams of two 4-H aides went to Bondurant, Mitchellville, Altoona, Grimes, Polk City, and Urbandale to conduct one-week classes. Recruitment visits also were made in Johnston, Ankeny, Elkhart, and Sheldahl to invite youth from these towns to participate in the programs in other towns.

Classes were conducted in ceramics, nutrition and cooking, nature, bicycle, child care, and new games. At the end of the two-week period, two day camps were held emphasizing energy and solar themes. Class size was limited to 15 to 20 and the majority were filled, since most towns have few summer activities for pre-teens.

In addition, one aide conducted a community development program throughout the summer in Elkhart and Sheldahl. Response was high. Sustained participation will be measured. Short term classes were held the latter part of the summer. An attempt will be made to organize on-going community clubs in a number of these locations or youth will be integrated into existing 4-H groups.

Mason City Area Gets Recruitment Aid

The Iowa 4-H Foundation allocated \$400 to develop and print a church bulletin insert to be used in all cooperating churches of the Mason City area on the Sunday prior to National 4-H week. The 25,000 inserts were printed at a cost of \$400.



Chris Clover promotes 4-H to potential members. Funds from the Iowa 4-H Foundation allowed southwest Iowa to buy materials to make two costumes.

Cerro Gordo County Constructs Display

A \$200 allocation from the Iowa 4-H Foundation allowed Cerro Gordo county 4-H'ers to construct a forestry display board. The board will be used as a school enrichment tool. The flexible design allows the display to be dismantled easily so displays on other topics can be mounted.

4-H Dairy Leader Workshops Held

For the training held on June 3rd to 5th, no money was expended from the \$325 allotted by the Iowa 4-H Foundation. The training is being restructured in an attempt to reach a larger number of dairy leaders. The funds will be used in fall or winter for this purpose.

Promotion Costumes Funded

The \$300 allocation to southwest Iowa was used for materials to construct two Chris Clover costumes for \$184.00. Promotional leaflets were printed at a cost of \$116.00. These were distributed at events where Chris Clover appeared.



It's fun to make it yourself at a 4-H session.

The costume, first used in the fall of 1980, continues to be used this year. Chris Clover has served as a greeter at county 4-H events and talked about 4-H in schools.

Chris Clover is an updated version of the traditional 4-H symbol and is used as a costume, on bookmarks, fliers, and other promotional items to draw more 4-H members.

The southwest area says that the Chris Clover costume definitely has provided a basis for considerable publicity and promotional programs. Leaders from West Pottawattamie county say, "The audience reaction brought a wide variety of responses ranging from, 'Look at the walking leaf,' to 'What is it?' Yes, we increased membership by possibly 20 members."

Development Continues at Langwood 4-H Reserve

This beautiful camping facility, located in Louisa county, southeast Iowa, is used by an increasing number of youth and adults for overnight and one-day programs. With the completion of an A-frame cabin and a bath house, groups are provided with facilities that can meet



Sharing with guests is part of the 4-H learning experience.

their needs for nature study and recreational activities. The development of an outdoor assembly area overlooking the lake is in process. This construction in the assembly area was made possible by contributions from family and friends as a memorial to a former Scott County 4-H leader and supporter.

4-H Camping Center, Madrid, Site for Meetings

A great many youth continue to find the State 4-H Camping Center their favorite place for fun and learning in a unique environment. Summertime is when the greatest number of youth and adults participate in programs at this camping complex. But groups are found there nearly every week of the year in a broad range of meetings and activities. The Foundation Board of Trustees is committed to maintaining both the Camping Center and Langwood as camp facilities that will appeal to youth and adults.

4-H Clubs Receive Community Grants

Thirty Iowa 4-H clubs shared \$1,500 in community improvement grants awarded by Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc. of Des Moines.

The grants provide seed money to clubs interested in carrying out community projects. They supplement locally raised funds for community projects.

Each club received between \$25 and \$100, depending on need. Selections were made by state 4-H staff at Iowa State University.

"These grants encourage active participation in community life and give youth a chance to help improve their communities," said Jerry Parsons, state leader for 4-H and youth programs. "Some of the projects include cemetery restoration, beautification of landscape, developing parks, and improving public buildings."

Iowa 4-H Foundation Financial Statement

Donors

September 1, 1980-August 31, 1981
Sources of funds
Business friends and
individuals \$ 26,993.59
Iowa Bank Campaign 15,905.00
Iowa Savings and Loan
Associations
ISU Alumni 1,201.00
Memorials 309.70
4-H Clubs and Groups 13,914.09
Rentals and Leases 8,022.19
Interest Earned 32,739.98
Farm Crop Operation 11,000.00
Casualty Insurance3,954.49
Program Trust Accounts
(fees, charges,
sales, etc.)
Total Receipts \$232,133.78
Funds were used
Administration: postage, printing,
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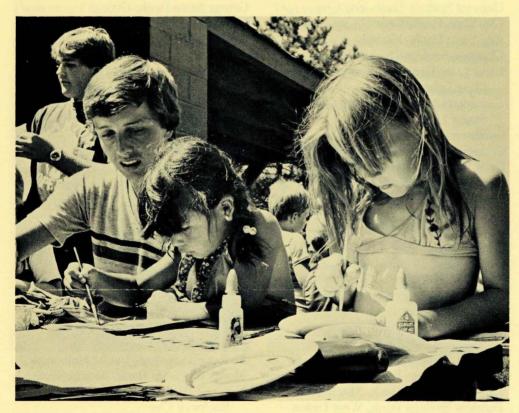
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