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Linn County Fair received Monsanto's America's Farmers Grow Communities Award

L to R: Bill Sloan and Deb Zumbach, members of Linn County Fair Board, Kathy Moorman and Kevin Hulsebus, Territory Sales Manager for Asgrow and DeKalb

Alan and Kathy Moorman of Coggon have been selected as winners in Monsanto's America's Farmers Grow Communities SM Project, which gives farmers the opportunity to win \$2,500 for their favorite local non-profit organizations in each of Iowa's 99 counties. The Moormans have designated the Linn County Fair to receive the award to be used to support 4-H at the fair.

Kathy says she is very excited to have been selected as the winner for Linn County. "I nominated the Linn County Fair because I believe they understand the importance of the 4-H program and will use this money to keep 4-H strong at the fair in the future," she says. "I know money is tight right now, especially in a small community like ours, so I'm sure this grant is going to be very helpful and appreciated." Kathy is the 4-H leader for the Coggon Clippers 4-H Club, and is also a nurse at Surgery Center Cedar Rapids. Her husband Al was unable to be there for the check presentation because he had been up all night doing field work and was working his day job at Simon's Grain and Feed in Manchester.

"The America's Farmers Grow Communities Project is a great program," says Deb Zumbach, Linn County Fair Association Treasurer. "We really appreciate Monsanto doing it."

The \$2,500 donation was awarded at a ceremony held April 29th at the Linn County Fairgrounds in Central City. The America's Farmers Grow Communities Project was offered throughout Iowa and in parts of Missouri and Arkansas. It is part of a broad commitment by Monsanto Company to highlight the important contributions farmers make every day to our society by helping them grow their local communities. More than 7,500 farmers participated in the program, which is designed to benefit non-profit groups such as ag youth, schools and other civic organizations. The program is currently in the process of being expanded to include additional states. Visit www.growcommunities.com to see a complete list of winners.

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The Linn County Fair in Central City from July 7-12, 2010.
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