



**It's Red Hot**

**THE LINN COUNTY FAIR JULY 6-11, 2011**

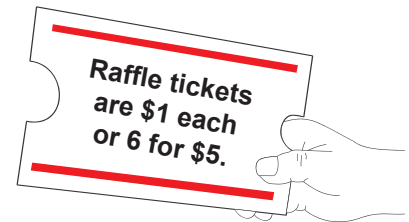
# KOI FISH RAFFLE



Thanks to Biackal's Koi Farm in Toddville, there will be a full size tank on display at the fair filled with Koi fish. The Koi fish tank will be located outside of the Cock-a-doodle Zoo through out the fair.

## HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO OWN A KOI FISH?

Here is your chance to win a fish for your very own.  
There will be a raffle held daily to give away 2 koi fish per day.



For more details on Bickal's Koi Farm go to: <http://www.bickal.com/>

Raffles will be held Wednesday through Sunday at 8pm and at noon on Monday at the Grandstand Ticket Booth.

Winners will be contacted via phone and posted at the Grandstand Ticket Booth the following day. All winners must pick up their fish on Monday, July 12th between 5pm-7pm or by appointment.

They can be purchased at the Grandstand Ticket Booth during normal building hours. All proceeds will go to fair building and grounds improvements. Here is your chance to give back to the fair and own your very own Koi Fish!

## Team 4-H2O- Fish Club

The 4-H2O fish club was started in 2011 by Leaders Carol Sindelar, Greg Bickal, and myself, Jackie Allsup. (We are all members of the Eastern Iowa Pond Society) It was started as a way to introduce the love of fish to the area youth. Many of our rural kids have stock animals to show at the fair and we thought this was a great animal project that even the urban kids could do! With a gracious grant from the Cargill Co. we have been able to purchase some of the start up equipment for each kid also. While our focus in on the fish, much of what we learn about is water quality and conservation. Meetings consist of learning to test water and care for our fishy friends.

This summer we now hope to include a trip to the Mississippi River Museum and various community wildlife areas. This curriculum applies not only to our ponds and aquariums, but, in the larger picture, to our community and world. If your interest lies in Water Management, Oceanic, DNR Fisheries, or any Aqua culture study, this is a great place to begin. We're growing fast and would love to have anybody join that has an interest.



## Check us out on Facebook- 4H Fish

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