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**Mark your Calendar**

**September 8th—ICYD Council Meeting**

The next ICYD meeting will take place in the Starkweather Room of the Jessie Parker Building from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. If you have any questions or comments, please email [steve.michael@iowa.gov](mailto:steve.michael@iowa.gov).

**Oct. 19 & 20—Building a Balance Conference**

SineQuaNon, an educational entity dedicated to empowering youth and young adults; expanding youth philanthropy; creating environments for community change; and building local leadership presents a conference in Des Moines centered around the work of adult volunteers working with youth through youth/adult partnerships that provide both empowerment of youth and development of youth potential with accountability and responsibility. The conference will feature keynote speaker, Steve Krajenka, Sony Corporation, affiliated with Growing Leaders organization. This conference is presented with funding from Dekko Foundation and support from Iowa State University Extension and Iowa Council of Community Foundations. To learn more, [Click Here](#).

**A Note From Our Chair...**

*Preston Daniels is the director of the Department of Human Rights and was elected Chair of the ICYD Council:*

The Iowa State Fair is an example of Positive Youth Development in action. In our day-to-day work, sometimes we do not take the time to sit back and see all of the activities, programs, and supportive services that is provided in our community to promote youth and youth leadership. The activities at the State Fair magnify this for us and puts a slice of it on display. It is also easy to get distracted at the Fair with all of the food on a stick, carnival rides, things to buy, and all of the food. Did I mention the food? Anyway... as we trudge through all of the daily distractions and keep working to encompass positive youth development practices in our respective systems, it is important for us to celebrate current activities and recognize these as successes.

I think I will have a corn dog.

We welcome comments and suggestions to help us work toward achieving ICYD's purpose,

Preston Daniels

**Youth Development News**

**International Year of Youth Begins this Month**

The United Nations proclaimed August 2010 to August 2011 as the International Year of Youth starting with a launch on August 12th. Everyone is invited to promote the ideals of peace, freedom, progress and solidarity towards the promotion of youth development and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals. To learn more about how you can get involved, [Click Here](#).

**Gallup Student Poll finds gap between perception and reality in youth hope, engagement and wellbeing**

Gallup has put out a new poll that dives into the difference between the number of high school youth who

say they plan to attend college vs. the number of students who actually do. To read the results, [Click Here](#).

**State Farm Seeks a Youth to Serve on a Youth Advisory Board**

Do you know a young individual between the ages of 17-20 that is passionate, committed, involved, and possesses leadership skills? State Farm is looking for youth with these characteristics to help them design and implement a \$5 million-a-year signature service-learning initiative to address issues important to State Farm and communities across the United States and Canada. Applications must be post-marked by September 1st. To learn more or to nominate a youth for this exciting opportunity, [Click Here](#).