

# The Broadcast

*Benton County 4-H Monthly Newsletter  
for 4-H Members, Leaders, and Volunteers*

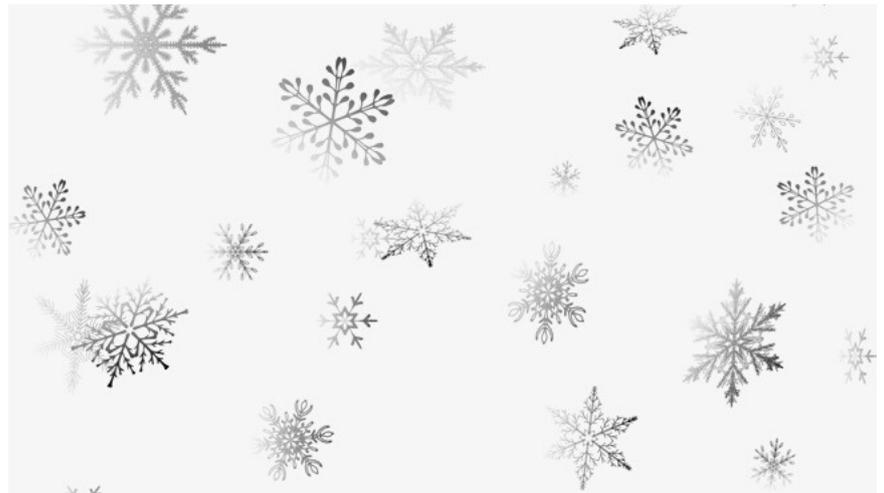
## *In This Issue*

**January 23 is  
REQUIRED Annual  
Leader Training: meal  
provided, please  
register to attend**

**Benton County 4-H  
Members participate  
in State 4-H Camera  
Corps**

**Club Spotlight: 4-H  
County Council**

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## **CYC Message**

Hello to all and Happy New Year!

I am excited to start the new year as a fully initiated supporter and advocate for Benton County 4-H! Since starting in mid-December, I have had a great experience attending the Friends of 4-H Meeting, celebrating in holiday spirit with the County Council, and planning the 2020 fair with the 4-H Committee. One thing for sure, Benton County 4-H has GREAT people with awesome perspectives and ideas. As we navigate the new year together, I ask that you practice patience, take initiative to share information, and ask questions. I promise to do the same starting with a monthly newsletter (hooray!). I am planning to send 'The Broadcast' the first Friday of each month with information in reflection of the previous month and preparation for the current. For real-time updates for the county, please like our Facebook page: Benton County, Iowa 4-H.

# Club Spotlight

In the first issue, the 4-H County Council is our club spotlight! County Council is for active 4-H members grades 9-12 seeking leadership opportunities at the county level. County Council helps with events throughout the year including livestock weigh-ins, the bowling tournament, Fair and more! Members are required to attend 50% of the regularly scheduled meetings, serve on committees as needed, attend and help with at least three county 4-H events, participate in the Red Barn, and participate in a Service Learning Project. Members are also strongly encouraged to participate in communications events such as Educational Presentation, Working Exhibit, or Share-The-Fun. County Council meetings and events are supported by Brian McNulty. **To spotlight the great work your 4-H club is doing, email Emily a picture and short summary of the event, activity, or meeting you would like showcased in the monthly broadcast.**



## Deadlines & Important Dates

**1/16:** 4-H Pioneer Grant Submissions due to Extension Office (Don't know what a Pioneer Grant is? Ask your CYC!)

**1/19:** County Council Meeting at Extension Office (6:00 PM)

**1/21:** 4-H Committee Meeting at Extension Office (7:00 PM)

**1/23:** Annual Leader Training at Extension Office (11:30 AM-1:30 PM or 6:00-8:00 PM) *REQUIRED*

**2/1:** Market Steers & Heifers Verified (weight, tag, M/F, breed) in 4-HOnline by 4-H Member *STATE DEADLINE*

**2/9:** 4-H Bowling Tournament

**5/15:** Dairy Cattle, Breeding Beef, Dairy Goat, Dog, Horse, Meat Goat, Sheep, Swine Verified or ID Completed in 4-HOnline *STATE DEADLINE*

# Other News

**Benton County Livestock News:** Animal ID forms are on hand at the office for Breeding Beef, Horse, Dog, and Dairy. If you are leasing a horse to be shown at the fair, an Iowa 4-H Horse Lease Agreement form must be filed at the Extension Office by May 15. Please email Emily if you would like a form mailed or emailed to you. Swine weigh in will be March 21. Sheep and Goat weigh in will be May 2.

**Benton County:** The Annual Benton County 4-H Bowling Tournament will be held from 12-4:00 PM on February 9th in Vinton. Teams will consist of four members divided by Junior, Intermediate, and Senior members. Teams with members from the section above will be added to the older bracket (e.g. 3 Jr/1 Int will bowl in Intermediate bracket.) Clubs should have teams registered to bowl by February 3!

**YQCA:** All 4-H livestock (Beef, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, Swine) exhibitors will be required to be YQCA certified by May 15, 2020. Log onto [yqca.org](http://yqca.org) to register and complete the training. Please call the Extension Office with questions or to schedule time to use a computer.

**Field Team:** Benton County is part of the Highway 30 Field Team that includes: Boone, Story, Marshall, Tama, Benton, and Linn Counties. This space will hold information or event details from the field team.

**Iowa 4-H:** Iowa 4-H Camera Corps is a talented group of youth photographers working together to make powerful and creative photographs of communities from across the state of Iowa. Each month, a different photography theme is provided and professional evaluators will give individual feedback to each photographer after they submit their monthly photograph, and then each photograph will be exhibited digitally on the Iowa 4-H Facebook page where voting will be open to the public. Benton County 4-H'ers Courtney Chambers and Laney Albertsen are part of the Camera Corps Program, be sure to check the Iowa 4-H Facebook page to see their awesome photography submissions!