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

COUNTY FAIR EDITION

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CYC MESSAGE

2021 BENTON COUNTY FAIR

This month's "The Broadcast" Newsletter will be primarily focused on ALL THINGS COUNTY FAIR!

FAIR UPDATES:
- EMAIL: please check all email coming from either shlas@iastate.edu or benton4h@iastate.edu.
- WEBSITE: the Benton County Extension website is located at https://www.extension.iastate.edu/benton/
- FACEBOOK: the 4-H Facebook page is located at https://www.facebook.com/bentoncounty4h
- INSTAGRAM: the 4-H Instagram page is located at https://www.instagram.com/4hbentoncountyia/

Emails, Extension Website, Facebook and Instagram will be your GO TO PLACE for ALL FAIR UPDATES!

We are also looking into utilizing the Remind App again for 2021. Watch for more details in next month's newsletter.

Can't wait for Benton County Fair 2021!

4-H BUILDING SUPERVISION

Club leaders, if you have not signed up for a spot on the 4-H Building Supervision schedule, please do so today! We still have 5 time slots that need to be filled.

Go to: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COC4AA8A62FA5FCC43-4hbuilding to sign up!
2021 FAIR INFORMATION

2021 FAIR BOOK
The 2021 Fair Book is available online at: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/benton/4h

WEB SITE LINKS
Fair information/directions can be found at: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/benton/page/member-info

FairEntry:
https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/14938
Registration Dates: May 16 - June 15, 2021

Select the 2021 Benton County Fair.
• 4-H Members should select the green ‘log in with 4-H Online’ button and log in using their 4-H Online credentials.
• FFA Members that are not 4-H Members should create a separate profile. 4-H Members exhibiting specific projects as FFA Members should select their chapter, not club, when entering each project.
• Please call or email your CYC with questions.
• DO NOT wait until the deadline to start making entries.

4HOnline:
v2.4honline.com

Use the same log in information you use to re-enroll as a 4-H member.
• “Family” should be selected.
• If you need help remembering your credentials, please call or email your CYC.

4-H & FFA EXHIBITOR DEADLINES

4-H ONLINE ANIMAL ID / FFA ID FORMS DUE - May 15
• Swine, Sheep & Meat Goat must be weighed in at a pre-fair county-based weigh in event.
• All weigh-in animal data must be entered by the 4-H Family in 4-H Online.
• All non-weigh in animals (bucket/bottle, poultry, rabbit, dog, pet, horse, dairy goat, dairy cattle, breeding beef, commercial/purebred swine, market swine) data must be entered into 4-H Online by the 4-H Family.
• Contact your CYC to have a paper ID form mailed to you as an alternative to 4-H Online, forms are due to the Extension Office by 12:00 PM on May 15.
• FFA members must have all animal ID forms on file at the Benton County Extension Office by May 15.

YQCA CERTIFICATION DUE - May 15
• All 4-H and FFA Livestock exhibitors (does not apply to dog/pet and equine exhibitors) are required to have current YQCA certification up to date in 4-H Online with certificate on file at the Benton County Extension Office.

AWARDROBE & COMMUNICATION IN FAIR ENTRY DUE - June 10
• Awardrobe ($15 Challenge, Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection) and Communications (Working Exhibit, Extemporaneous Speaking, Educational Presentation, Share the Fun, Poster Exhibit) must be entered in Fair Entry.
• Awardrobe report forms should be brought to the judging event.
• Communication forms due 6/10.

4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK RULES
No individual Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Papers) will be required for animals or livestock to be exhibited at the Benton County Fair.
• All animals will be inspected by an accredited veterinarian upon arrival or shortly thereafter by the veterinarian.
  ◦ Swine (must be inspected before being unloaded)
  ◦ Dogs/Pets (current rabies vaccination certificate should be scanned into Fairentry when registering)
  ◦ Poultry (are P/T tested at check-in on Wednesday of fair week)
**General Guidelines:**

- 4-H Club Leaders and FFA Chapter Advisors will coordinate ALL STALLING REQUESTS.
  - **Individual Stalling Requests will NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
  - Contact your Club Leader or FFA Advisor with your stalling needs.
  - Provide payment to the club leader or FFA Advisor at the same time of your request.
    - Checks made payable to: Benton County Extension
- Clubs must be as accurate as possible in their club’s needs.
- Animal stalling is the #1 priority. Stalling is tight, tack pens are not guaranteed.
- Tack stalls are subject to change if an animal needs stalled (4-H Committee has the right to switch tack stalls to livestock stalls)
- Stalling fees will not be refunded. No exceptions. If you pay for a stall and that stall is used for tack you will not be refunded.

**CLUBSTALL/PEN REQUESTS ARE DUE TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY: June 1st**

**Beef:**
- Tack stall will be inside the beef barn with your stalling area.

**Dogs / Pets**

**Reminder:**
- Dogs and Pets must pay the listed stalling fee even though they do not stay on the fairgrounds.

**BEEF TIE OUTS**

**Beef Tie Outs are available for reservation by individuals** (not clubs).
- Tie out does not replace regular stalling.
- **The only tie outs that may be used are those provided by the Fair Board** that are reserved through the Extension Office by June 1.
  - 40 tie outs are available for reservation.
  - Tie Outs will be reserved on a first come first serve basis.
  - Families (not clubs) may reserve their tie out by EMAILING the CYC with their reservation to shlas@iastate.edu.
- Tie outs are not fully reserved until $10 fee per tie out is collected at the Extension Office prior to June 1.
- Once the 40 tie outs are reserved with the CYC, a waiting list will be kept.
- If a reservation is made and no payment is received by the Extension Office by June 1 the reservation will be dismissed and the first request on the waiting list will be granted.
- Please do not wait to send payment after the reservation is made with the CYC.
- Tie outs are an additional opportunity on top of regular stalling.
- All beef must have primary stalling in the beef barn.

**ATTN: HORSE AND DOG EXHIBITORS**

It has come to our attention that neither Horses or Dogs identified in the previous version of 4HOnline transferred over to the new 4HOnline 2.0 version. Families will need to re-enter these animals for 2021 if planning to exhibit them.
**SWINE**

**County Fair:** There will not be a buyer for market hogs. Exhibitors are encouraged to make arrangements for a private sale to individuals at a locker or sell hogs at a sale barn.

**State Fair:** On Friday, March 12, the Iowa State Fair announced all swine shows will be non-terminal. The only exception will be for the following which are scheduled to be harvested at the Iowa State University Meat Lab: Grand and Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Market Hog; Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion FFA Market Hog. Please plan accordingly for your harvesting needs. Questions? Contactentry@iowastatefair.org or call 515.262.3111, ext: 207.

**ATTENTION SWINE EXHIBITORS**

In need of 4-H County and/or ISF ear tags?

- **ISF Tags** - $8.00 each
- Checks can be payable to Benton County Extension

Please call or email the Benton County Extension Office to arrange a time to pick those up!

Email: Shelbym@iastate.edu
Shlias@iastate.edu
Call: (319)472-4739

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**HORSE/PONY SAFETY CLASSES**

All beginning, first and second year horse/pony exhibitors must attend a Horse/Pony Safety Class held on one of the following dates to be eligible to show at Benton County Fair:

- **SATURDAY, MAY 15: 10AM - 12PM**
- **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2: 6 - 8PM**

Classes are held at the Benton County Fairgrounds, Horse Barn. Horse/pony must be present during class.

Sign up for the Horse/Pony Safety Class of your choice in 4HOnline (http://v2.4honline.com/).
2021 FAIR INFORMATION

STATIC PROJECT UPDATES & DEADLINES

FAIR ENTRY

Communications & Awardrobe (to be judged on Wednesday, June 23) – In Fair Entry by June 10, 2021

- $15 Challenge, Fashion Revue, and Clothing Selection entry and stage commentary is due in Fair Entry by June 10. Report Forms and supporting materials should be brought to judging day.
- Working Exhibit and Share the Fun (set up) entry and report forms are due to the Extension Office via mail or email by June 10.
  - Educational Presentation report form is incorporated into Fair Entry (no paper form).
  - Report Form Exceptions: Communications Poster Exhibit report form should be attached to the project for judging. There is no report form for Extemporaneous Speaking.
- Find forms at: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/benton/page/member-info

Static Projects (to be judged on Tuesday, June 22) – In Fair Entry by June 15, 2021

4-H STATIC EXHIBITS JUDGING SCHEDULE

4-H Static Exhibit Judging will take place on Tuesday, June 22 during three scheduled sessions BY CLUB:

8:30 - 10AM
- Bruce Boosters
- Iowa Ever Readies
- Jackson Better Farmers
- Fremont Go Getters
- Monroe Barnstormers
- Canton Upstreamers
- Independent

10 - 11:30AM
- North Eden Willing Workers
- Harrison Willing Workers
- BEHIP
- Polk 101

12:30 - 2:30PM
- Florence Go Getters
- Leroy Luckies
- Florence Hawkeyes

PLEASE NOTE: All Static Exhibits must be Checked In by 2:30PM on Tuesday, June 22.

Cloverbud Projects Judging will take place on Tuesday, June 22 during one scheduled session:
- 9:30AM – 12PM

STATIC PROJECT - IOWA STATE FAIR WINNERS – MANDATORY MEETING

Youth with projects selected for State Fair must attend the MANDATORY Exhibitor Meeting held via Zoom on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 7PM.

Winning Exhibitors will receive more information on the details of the Mandatory Exhibitor Meeting when they receive their awards/medal.
COMMUNICATIONS EVENTS

Communication Events are the perfect way for 4-H Members to practice their communication skills. Members can exhibit individually, with a friend or with a team!

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS
Provides an opportunity to demonstrate communication skills by presenting knowledge, information, or a process to an audience in order to gain a desired response.

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING
Encourages the development of communication skills by providing an opportunity to think, organize thoughts, prepare speech and respond to questions when given a limited amount of preparation time.

WORKING EXHIBIT
Provides an opportunity to communicate, interact with, and teach an audience in an informal and experiential way.

SHARE THE FUN
Provides an opportunity to share their skills and talents before an audience.

AWARDROBE CLOTHING EVENTS

Awardrobe Events are the perfect way for 4-H Members to practice their fashion and clothing skills. Outfits can be athletic, formal, everyday wear or costume.

THE $15 CHALLENGE
This category is designed to expand the 4-H member’s shopping experience to shopping venues emphasizing recycling, reducing and reusing. Outfits must be purchased at a garage sale, consignment store, Goodwill, Salvation Army, or similar place.

CLOTHING SELECTION
The purpose of this category is to select and/or purchase an outfit that represents the 4-H member’s goal or intended use for the selected outfit.

FASHION REVUE
The purpose of this category is to encourage the sewing of a personal garment or outfit.

USE OF COPYRIGHT AND TRADEMARK MATERIALS

**IT IS THE 4-H EXHIBITOR’S RESPONSIBILITY TO FOLLOW ALL COPYRIGHT/TRADEMARK GUIDELINES**

Often, we get “ideas” by observation of other's works of art, crafts, recipes, etc. It is very important to give credit to those individuals or companies who have created materials, resources, logos, trademarks, photographs, etc. that you may want to incorporate into a 4-H exhibit for a county fair. In many cases requesting permission can do this. This permission is needed when an item made by you is going to be on public display.

Click the link for more information regarding copyright:
https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/statefair/SFDocuments/SF1UseofCopyrightV1010401.pdf

** Remember, when in doubt, ask permission. **

PINTEREST TO ORIGINAL SOURCE IN 3 EASY STEPS

Pinterest seems like a terrific place to go for fair project ideas... but don’t forget,

Click the link for more information regarding Pinterest and Original Source:
https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/files/page/files/Pinterest%20to%20Original%20Source%20in%203%20Easy%20Steps_1.pdf
Any youth wishing to exhibit the following animals at a county or state fair, must have a completed YQCA Certification: Swine, Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Sheep, Goats, Rabbits, and Poultry.

- YQCA Training must be completed by **May 15, 2021.**
- The web-based training is a GREAT option for your busy club member! Registration is completed online by using your 4-H Online email and password at: [https://yqca.learngrow.ia/Account/Login](https://yqca.learngrow.ia/Account/Login)
- **Don’t forget to forward your completion certificate to the Benton County Extension Office!**

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**LINN & BENTON COUNTY 4-H JUNIOR CAMP**

Benton and Linn County 4-H are partnering to host a one-day summer camp opportunity for youth grades 4-6 on **August 3, 2021**!

Junior Camp is an all-day event and will be held at Camp Wakonda in Central City. **Camp Drop Off** will be from 8:30-9:00am. **Pick up** will be at 4:00pm.

**Cost**: $35*  **Registration Required**: [https://tinyurl.com/bljrcamp](https://tinyurl.com/bljrcamp)  **Financial Assistance is available.**

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**CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED!**

Any 4-H member in 9 - 12th grade can apply to be a Camp Counselor. Applications due at 4:30pm on July 1st. Go to [https://tinyurl.com/bljrcamp](https://tinyurl.com/bljrcamp)

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**STATE 4-H DAIRY QUIZ BOWL**

The Dairy Quiz Bowl competition is open to 4-H youth in grades 4-12 that tests their knowledge about the dairy industry. Youth take a written exam prior to the competition and then square off in a team buzzer-style showdown. The top senior team advances to the national competition held in Louisville, Kentucky.

- June 17, 2021 – Starmont High School, Strawberry Point
- **Online Entry & Contest Rules**: [https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/dairy-cattle](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/dairy-cattle)
- **Entry Deadline**: June 1
STATE 4-H RECOGNITION AWARDS

MANSON AND LUDEKING RECEIVE STATE 4-H RECOGNITION/HONORS

Iowa 4-Hers Celebrate Project and Personal Development Success at State Recognition Day

Two Benton County 4-H members were recognized for their accomplishments during the State 4-H Recognition Day, in April on the Iowa State University campus. This statewide event, held each spring, is the culmination of the year’s recognition process.

The Iowa 4-H State Recognition process invites 4-Hers from across the state to pursue state and national leadership opportunities and awards. Iowa 4-H members selected to be State 4-H Council members, National 4-H Conference delegates, National 4-H Congress delegates, Shooting Sports Ambassadors, Iowa 4-H Reporters, and project area award recipients are selected and honored.

- State 4-H Council members work directly with Iowa 4-H, representing the program across the state. They also plan the annual Iowa 4-H Youth Conference held at the end of June, which hosts over 700 Iowa youth on the Iowa State University campus.
- Fifty youth were selected around the state to win project area awards. These young people have demonstrated mastery, leadership, communication and service in a specific project area throughout their 4-H career.

The following will represent Benton County:
Steiger Manson of Walker, State 4-H Council; Alex Ludeking of Norway, Project Area: Music.

The Iowa 4-H recognition process begins locally in each county and concludes each year with State 4-H Recognition Day. All Iowa 4-Hers are welcome and encouraged to participate in recognition events, whether at the local, state or national level. In order to apply, each member must determine their eligibility for the various state opportunities available; summarize their personal and project area goals, and their experiences in and out of 4-H events and programs.

A three-member statewide award evaluation committee then reviews each application. Most of the award opportunities culminate in an interview round, which is hosted as a full day event in Ames, where each member is interviewed by his or her evaluation committee.

The Iowa 4-H Youth Development program values recognition as an important part of positive youth development. The 4-H recognition process has been designed to motivate young people to excel, foster self-appraisal skills, encourage individualized learning, and encourage engagement into increasingly difficult challenges.

For more information on the Iowa 4-H program, please contact your local county ISU Extension and Outreach office at shlas@iastate.edu or 319.472.4739.

CONGRATULATIONS
STEIGER AND ALEX ON YOUR 4-H RECOGNITIONS!

Steiger Manson, State 4-H Council
Polk 1014-H Club

Alex Ludeking, Project Area: Music.
Florence Go Getters 4-H Club

IOWA 4-H FOUNDATION
EMMA WILEY
4-H CLUB: Harrison Willing Workers

FAVORITE PROJECT AREA: My favorite project area was Home Improvements. I loved being able to create furniture or accessories for my home...especially as I get ready to move to college. It was fun to use my creativity in that way.

FAVORITE 4-H EVENT: My favorite 4-H event was county fair...hands down! Our family basically grew up at the county fair and we looked forward to it every year. It was our family vacation and a great time to see friends from all over the county. It was also really fun to exhibit projects and livestock there.

FAVORITE 4-H MEMORY: There are too many to choose from, but most of them took place at county fair.

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend DMACC in Ankeny and study business. One day I hope to open my own floral studio.

EMMA ARNOLD
4-H CLUB: Harrison Willing Workers

FAVORITE PROJECT AREA: My favorite project area was Photography. Photography allows me to be creative and share different perspectives with Benton County Fair visitors.

FAVORITE 4-H EVENT: Our club did a meal packaging event a few years ago and it was my favorite activity. Taking time to help those in need was an event I will always remember.

FAVORITE 4-H MEMORY: Showing cattle at the Benton County Fair was my favorite part of 4-H. Taking care of these animals and sharing my knowledge of agriculture with the fair patrons was an enjoyable part of my summer.

FUTURE PLANS: I will be attending Hawkeye Community College and majoring in Agriculture Business.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

IOWA BEEF SCHOLARSHIP EXTRAVAGANZA

Benton County 4-Hers Alex Ludeking and Gabe Hanson participated in the 2020 Iowa Beef Scholarship Extravaganza at the Hansen Ag Learning Center on the campus of Iowa State University on April 14, 2021. The contest was postponed from its original date in December 2020.

Each team of two or three youth participated in 10 comprehensive stations covering a broad range of beef management and promotion topics. Alex and Gabe’s team of “Benton County Cattlemen” placed first in the “Keep-Cull Selection” station and second in the contest overall. They received a $2,250 scholarship that they will share, courtesy of the Iowa Cattlemen’s Foundation and many generous sponsors.

GREAT JOB GABE AND ALEX!
ATTENTION SENIORS

If you are attending Iowa State University continue your 4-H adventure with Collegiate 4-H! Collegiate 4-H is a club that is open to all majors and focuses on service, leadership, and fun. Joining Collegiate 4-H is a great way to stay connected with 4-H programs and also build valuable professional skills. Look up Collegiate 4-H on any of their social media or reach out to the officer team!

IOWA 4-H YOUTH CONFERENCE

Less than 1 month left to register for the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference and Animal Science Round Up! The deadline is June 1st in 4HOnline.

The State 4-H Council invites you to register for the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference to be held at Iowa State University in Ames! Join us on your “Quest to Be Your Best” June 29–July 1.

This summer, approximately 500 teens will converge on the Iowa State University campus over the course of three consecutive days for speakers, educational workshops, cultural exploration, and service learning. Youth who attend the conference will get to dive into their own passions, discover career opportunities and learn about life on a college campus all while meeting other youth from across the state.

Registration is BY AREA of the state and is limited to 130 delegates a day. Work with your local county Extension office to learn about transportation options.

Animal Science Round Up will run concurrently with the Youth Conference and is offering 8 specie areas of interest. Deadline to register is June 1st via 4HOnline.

Check out conference agenda, workshop offerings, specie offerings, and more: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference.

Here’s how to Register in 4HOnline:
1. Login to your 4hOnline account (https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in)
2. From the Member List Screen, click on the “Events” list on the left-hand side
3. Select “YOUR EVENT THAT YOU ARE ATTENDING” and then the family member attending
4. Follow the prompts to complete. You will receive an email confirming you have submitted your registration.
DEADLINES & IMPORTANT DATES

- **May 15:** All Animals ID in 4-H Online | YQCA Training Deadline
- **May 15:** Horse/Pony Safety Class - 10AM-12PM, Benton County Fairground Horse Barn
- **May 16:** Fair Entry Opens!
- **June 2:** Horse/Pony Safety Class - 6-8PM, Benton County Fairground Horse Barn
- **June 10:** Communication and Awardrobe Entries due in Fair Entry
- **June 15:** All other Static, Livestock, Animals Entries due in Fair Entry
- **June 22 – 27:** Benton County Fair, Vinton, IA
- **July 1:** Iowa 4-H Youth Conference 2021, Ames, IA - "Quest to Be Your Best"
- **June 17:** State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl, Starmont High School, Strawberry Point, IA
- **June 29 - July 1:** 4-H Animal Science Round Up Dates per species TBD
- **July 1:** State Fair Entry Deadline
- **July 1:** Jr Camp Counselor Application Deadline
- **August 3:** Benton and Linn County Junior Camp
- **August 11:** 4-H Dairy Judging, State Fair
- **August 28:** Livestock & Meats Judging, State Fair
- **September 24 – 26:** Equine Extravaganza, Ellsworth Community College, Iowa Falls
- **TBD:** 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl / Skillathon

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Get details, updated information and learn how YOU can get involved at the 2021 Iowa State Fair!

4-H AT THE IOWA STATE FAIR

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NATIONAL 4-H COUNCIL PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following national programs will be held virtually:

- 2021 Citizenship Washington Focus (Summer 2021)

Other National 4-H Events:

- 2021 National 4-H Congress (11/26–11/30/21)

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