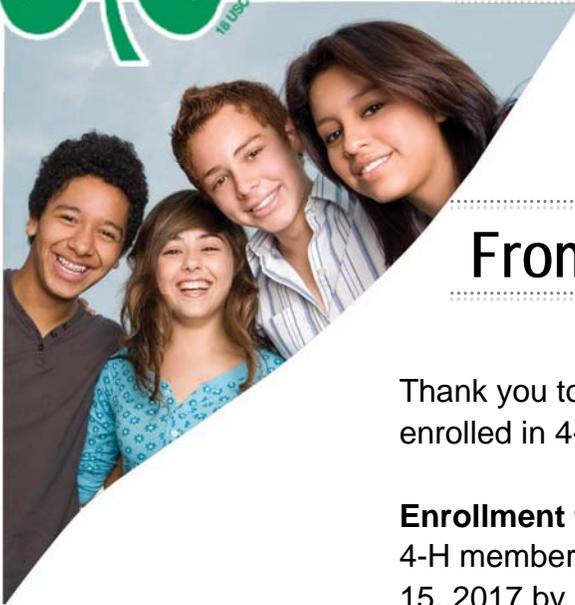




# DECEMBER 2016 4-H SCENE



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## From the desk of Lujean Faber...

Thank you to all the 4-H'ers and 4-H volunteers who have already enrolled in 4-H Online and have turned in their \$5 enrollment fee.

### **Enrollment fee goes up to \$30 on January 16, 2017**

4-H members who were enrolled in 4-H last year have until January 15, 2017 by 11: 59 p.m. to enroll in 4-H Online for the \$5 enrollment fee. If you are enrolled you also need to have your enrollment fee into the Extension Office before January 15.

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New 4-H members have until May 15 to enroll and pay the \$5 fee. All members must be enrolled by 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2017 to exhibit at the county fair.

#### **To enroll:**

The Website is: <https://iowa.4honline.com>

Help sheets are located: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4honline-helpsheets>

During the holiday break from school would be a great time to set goals and decide what you want to do in 4-H this coming year. Have a happy holiday season!

*Lujean Faber*

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## Deadline is January 15, 2017 for Enrollments

4-H'ers who were in 4-H last year need to be enrolled in 4-H and the \$5 enrollment fee paid by January 15 and that means the enrollment fee **MUST** be in the Office *before* January 15. It only takes a few minutes to enroll in 4-H Online. Brand new 4-H'ers have until May 15 to enroll in 4-H. If you plan to exhibit market beef, you must be enrolled by December 10; the reason for this is that 4-H'ers need to verify their animals in 4-H Online by the end of the year. All 4-H leaders and volunteers will also need to enroll in 4-H Online.

The Website is: <https://iowa.4honline.com>

Help sheets are located: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4honline-helpsheets>

If your family is new to 4-H, our office will set up a profile first. Please send the following information to: [faber@iastate.edu](mailto:faber@iastate.edu):

Family Name (first & last name)

Address and/or P.O. Box

Town, State and Zip Code

Phone Number

Family Email

Paper forms are only needed from families who don't have Internet access. You are also welcome to come into the Extension office and use one of our computers; please call to arrange a time. 4-H'ers who were in 4-H last year will need to pay the \$30 enrollment fee if they register after January 15.

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## Beef Weigh In| Saturday, December 10

The 2016 Beef Weigh In will be held on December 10, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. —11:00 a.m. at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds, in the Red Barn. This weigh in is for market steers and market heifers that are going to be exhibited at the Woodbury County Fair, Iowa State Fair, AK-SAR-BEN and Clay County Fair or other 4-H events that the animals must be weighed and identified. For County the cost of the tags are \$1. For 4-H'ers wanting to nominate for Ak-Sar-Ben and State fair the total cost is \$5. Ak-Sar-Ben is now accepting retinal images.

4-H'ers/FFA members in the same family must decide before the animals are weighed which animal each youth plans to exhibit. After the animal is identified and weighed, no switching is allowed. 4-H members may weigh ten market animals. Animals must be identified as either 4-H or FFA. **4-H members must be enrolled in 4-H online by December 10.** Each 4-H member will need to verify that the information on their animal(s) is correct.

All Woodbury County 4-H'ers **MUST** attend this weigh in. If there is another conflict on that date it must be approved by the Woodbury County office. No cattle will be weighed in at another county unless approved by our office first.

## MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL THROUGH YOUTH-ADULT PARTNERSHIPS AND RESEARCH-BASED EXPERIENCES.



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## 4-H on the 14th! | January 14, Noon - 3:00 p.m.

The 4-H Recognition team will help high school members in 9-12 grades with resume and interviewing building skills. The 4-H Recognition Team is having an open house on Saturday, January 14. The open house will be held from noon – 3:00 p.m. at the Woodbury County Extension Office at 4728 Southern Hills Drive.

We will help you with County Awards and State Opportunities. It's a come and go and we will also have hot chocolate and treats!

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## Citizenship Washington Focus Trip | June 16 – 24

4-H members in 9th-12th grade are eligible to attend the trip to Washington D.C. that will be held June 16-24, 2017.

The chartered bus trip highlights include the Flight 93 Museum, Gettysburg Battlefield, Capitol Hill, Smithsonian Museum, Mount Vernon and the Holocaust Museum. Youth will also meet with the Iowa Congressional and Senate delegations to discuss legislative issues. Youth will room at the National 4-H Center.

Cost of the trip is \$1,570. This includes lodging, transportation, tour site admissions and most meals. Registration and a \$510 deposit will be required to secure a spot. Woodbury County 4-H members will receive a scholarship of approximately \$150 that will be given right before they leave for Washington D.C. Space is limited. Registration deadline is January 6, 2017. To learn more about the trip and to get registration information visit: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/cwf>

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## 2017 4-H Scholarships| Due February 1

If interested, 4-H members will need to complete an application and include a current transcript and two letters of recommendation. All materials must be submitted no later than February 1 using the online application process. More than 80 scholarships will be awarded to Iowa 4-H'ers.

For information go to: <https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/>

Select Funding Opportunities on the dash board and then select “scholarships.”

Applications will be due by 11:59 p.m. on February 1, 2017.

## OUR VISION

A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSITIVE CHANGE



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## Grants for Community Improvement Projects

The Iowa 4-H Foundation would like 4-H Clubs to apply for DuPont Pioneer Seed Grants for 2016/2017. Applications should be turned into County Extension Offices by January 17, 2017.

Information for these grants are on the Iowa 4-H website located at: [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/pioneergrants](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/pioneergrants). Grants will be awarded for anywhere from \$50 to \$500 but typically will not exceed half of the cost of the total project as groups are encouraged to work at obtaining local support as a match. Successful projects are those that enlist partnerships with other community entities, demonstrate engagement by the full 4-H club, and make a positive impact on the community.

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## 4-H Leaders Training | Required for volunteers who work with 4-H Youth

If you were not able to attend the training on December 1, the make-up session for the yearly required training for 4-H leaders and volunteers who work with youth is planned for January 10. Volunteers include club leaders, project leaders, Clover Kids volunteers, Shooting Sports and other who have special interest clubs.

There is pre-homework for this year's training on: "Youth Engagement Strengthens 4-H."

### Make-up Session

**Tuesday, January 10, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.** at the Woodbury County Extension office. Also includes supper. The snow date is Tuesday, January 17.

Please email Lujan at [faber@iastate.edu](mailto:faber@iastate.edu) (or call 712-276-2157 ext. 12) by Monday, January 9.

**Brand-New Leaders Training** or leaders who have been volunteering for 1-3 years (who haven't yet attended new leaders training) are also required to attend a New Leader Training on Monday, February 6, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Volunteers **MUST** be enrolled in 4-H Online; as part of the training will be done on-line. Woodbury is fortunate to be one of the meeting sites. To register for the new leader training go to: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volunteertraining> (snow date set for Feb. 13).

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## 4-H Shooting Sports Air Rifle and Archery Classes

Maureen Connot, Youth Outreach Coordinator, has announced that Air Rifle and Archery Classes will be held next year.

Air Rifle will begin in April (dates to be announced). Archery will be held on Sundays, February 26 - April 2. If you are already enrolling in 4-H and in 4th - 12th grades, there is an additional fee of approximately \$10 for shooting supplies. Classes fill up fast. For more information please contact Maureen at 712-224-3363.

## 4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE,  
AND MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.



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## State Awards | Due February 1

### State 4-H Awards:

State Project Awards (for 4-H'ers in grades 9-12)

National 4-H Congress (for 4-H'ers in grades 10-11)

National 4-H Conference (for 4-H'ers in grades 9-11)

State 4-H Council (for 4-H'ers in grades 10-11)

National Dairy Conference (for 4-H'ers in grades 9-12, application is due in July)

State 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador (for 4-H'ers in grades 9-11)

The above information and additional information is available at:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/recognition/RecogState02OpportunitiesAvailable.pdf>

**4-H on the 14th!**  
**January 14, Noon—3:00 p.m. @**  
**Woodbury County Extension office**  
**County Awards and State Opportunities**

Applications are done online and will be due February 1 to the State 4-H office. Interviews will be held April 1, 2017 in Ames, Iowa.

Information is available at the state 4-H website located at:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/recognition-opportunities>

On this site are videos to help 4-H'ers prepare for the awards, interviewing tips and organizing and designing your application(s). The questions you need to answer are also located at that site.

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## County 4-H Awards | Due March 27

**County 4-H Awards:** The 4-H Recognition Team would like to offer 4-H'ers the opportunity to consider 4-H project awards. The award application is 1 to 4 pages of information about a specific project. It isn't only about an exhibit you took to the fair, but would include: goals, what you have learned, citizenship, leadership and communication you have done. An additional 1 to 2 pages could include what else you have done in 4-H, school, church or other organizations. Information is posted on the website located at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/4h>. 4-H'ers will be recognized on Sunday, June 4, at the 4-H Recognition Event.

### Forms include:

Guidelines for 4th – 8th graders

Guidelines for 9th – 12th graders

4-H Award Rubric for both 4th – 8th graders and 9th – 12th graders

4-H Cover Form for your award application(s)

Special County Project Awards

4-H Project Record Template – 4-H'ers can use as a guideline or type in their information.

**4-H on the 14th!** County Awards and State Opportunities open house on Saturday, January 14 at the Woodbury County Extension Office from 12 Noon - 3:00 p.m.

**4-H IS BASED ON RESEARCH**



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## Robotics Camp | December 28

Youth in kindergarten - 8th grade, if you are looking for something fun to do during the winter break from school, consider attending Robotics camp on Wednesday, December 28.

The camp will be held at the Midtown Community Center located on 14th & Nebraska in Sioux City from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (early drop off is available **upon request only**).

Campers will be doing hands on activities including Beebots, Dash & Dots and Junior First Lego League. Cost for the all day camp including lunch is \$15.

To reserve your spot, please call Maureen Connot at 712-224-3363 by Tuesday, December 20. Or you may email her at [mconnot@iastate.edu](mailto:mconnot@iastate.edu).

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## Coming in January...Trip to Des Moines for 6th - 12th graders

Monona and Woodbury Counties are planning a day trip to Des Moines, Iowa on Saturday, January 28, 2017. 4-H'ers will be able to get a "bit of summer" at the Botanical Center and then explore the Science Center. We will be going by school bus and plan to have several stops in Woodbury and Monona counties.

Plans are to leave at 7:30 a.m. with stops in Mapleton, Sioux City and Onawa and return to Mapleton about 8:00 p.m. Cost of the trip for Woodbury 4-H members will be \$10. That fee includes the bus and entry into the centers. More details and a registration form will be in the *January 4-H Scene*.

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## Upcoming events

### Valentine Party

The 4-H County Council will be planning the 4-H Holiday "Valentine" party for Sunday February 5 at the Woodbury County Extension Office. Tentative time will be from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. If you or your club would like to help present a workshop, please contact Lujan.

### Winter Snow Trip

Winter Snow Trip to Sioux Falls Great Bear is in the early planning stages. This trip will for Intermediate aged 4-H members. 4-H members **MUST** be enroll in 4-H online. Great Bear offers tubes and skis. Cost of the trip is approximately \$25. Be looking for more information in the *4-H Scene*.

### 4-H Recognition Event

The 4-H Recognition Event will be held on Sunday, June 4, in the Varied Industry building at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds. 4-H'ers who submit award applications, Spirit of 4-H, Special Awards and all 4-H volunteers will be recognized at this event. Dinner will be at 5:00 p.m. and Recognition at 5:45 p.m.

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# 4-H CALENDAR



## December 2016

- December 10** Beef Weigh-In | 8-11 a.m. Woodbury County Fairgrounds  
**December 27** 4-H County Council meeting and holiday party, 11:30 a.m. at Extension Office

## January 2017

- January 4** 4-H Recognition Team, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Extension Office  
**January 12** 4-H & Fair Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Fair Office in Merville, IA  
**January 14** 4-H on the 14th! County Awards and State Opportunities open house. Noon – 3 p.m. at the Woodbury county extension office, 4728 Southern Hills Drive in Sioux City.  
**January 12** Leader Training: Heart of Community, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 @ Extension Office includes supper. This is a required training for volunteers who work one on one with youth. Leaders may instead attend the training on January 14.  
**January 14** Required Leader Training: Engaging the Heart of Leadership, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. @ Extension Office includes supper. Leaders may attend the training on January 12.  
**January 15** **Deadline:** 4-H members from last year must be enrolled in 4-H Online and the \$5 enrollment fee paid by January 15. for the \$5 enrollment fee, after that date the fee will be \$30. All “new” 4-H’ers enrolling will only need to pay the \$5 fee. There is no fee for Clover Kids. All 4-H’ers must be enrolled by May 15 to be eligible to exhibit at the county fair. 4-H members who were in 4-H last year must be enrolled and fee paid by January 15.  
**January 28** Area 4-H Trip to Des Moines to the Botanical Center and Science Center for 6th - 12th graders 4-H members from Monona and Woodbury Counties. There will be more information on this day trip in next month’s newsletter. Approximate cost of the trip is \$10.

## February 2017

- February 1** Applications for State 4-H Recognition due to the Iowa 4-H Office  
**February 1** The 2017 Iowa 4-H Foundation scholarship applications are due Feb. 1 and available online at [www.iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships).  
**February 5** 4-H Holiday “Valentine” Party @ Extension Office, tentatively 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
**February 6** New Leader Training, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Woodbury County Extension Office

## Future Dates

- March 27** 4-H County Awards due to the Woodbury County Extension office  
**May 15** All animals and livestock must be identified in 4-H Online for county, state and other fairs requiring livestock IDs  
**June 4** 4-H Recognition Event at the Varied Industry Building at the Fairgrounds in Merville, IA

### **The 2017 Woodbury County Fair will be August 2-6!**

4-H Building Exhibit Judging will be held July 31 and Livestock Entry August 1.

**The 2017 Iowa State Fair will be held August 10-20 (state fair livestock, dog and Horticulture exhibits due July 1).**

**Woodbury County Master Gardener Tip of the Month:** Fill bird feeders, keep your live Christmas tree watered, and prune oak trees in winter.

Thank you to Rex Towns, and his crew of Master Gardeners, for their help this past year, for putting the *4-H Scene* together each month!