



Dates & Deadlines

April 3-Demonstration Day
Registration Due

April 11- Easter Egg Hunt,
Fairgrounds

April 15 - Junior Camp
Counselor Applications due;
County Ambassador
Applications due

April 17-Demonstration Day,
Stanford School

April 25-Swine Weigh Day

May 1-Fair Book Ads Due to
the Extension Office

May 8-Cover for State
4-H Horse Show Due

May 13-4-H Council Meeting
at 6:30 pm County Courthouse

June 9-12-Junior 4-H Camp,
Camp Rotary

April is "Month of the Military"

April was established as the "Month of the Military" in 1986 by then Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger. He established the annual recognition because he understood and appreciated the challenges encountered by children of the military service members. Throughout the month of April we make a special effort to let our military children know that we honor and appreciate their sacrifices in the same light as we do that of their parents ...because military kids serve too!! For fun activities go to www.monthofthemilitarychild.com

Consider inviting a military child to enjoy 4-H activities with you.

Change in Demonstration Day!

County Demonstration Day for all Judith Basin County 4-H members will be held **Friday, April 17, 2009** at the Stanford School beginning at 2:30 p.m. Again this year we will hold a Finals Round, and a hamburger dinner will be available.

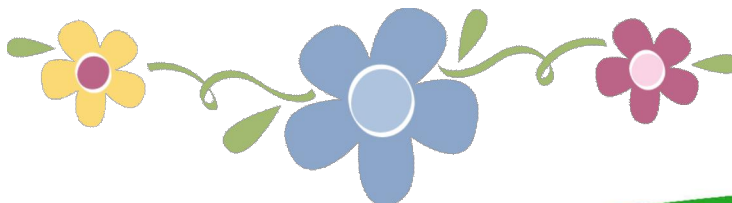
Demonstration Day is open to the public, and everyone is encouraged to attend. Event guidelines and a registration form can be found in your last newsletter. Please remember that requests for a specific time will be made on a first come, first served basis. Registrations are due by **April 3, 2009** to the Extension Office.

Fair Book Ad Sales

Fair Book Ad Sale Sheets and payment are due back to the Extension Office no later than **Thursday, May 1**. Please remember that this is one of our major fundraisers for the year, so we need everyone to get out there and sell!

Fashion Revue

This year, Fashion Revue will be held on Sunday, May 3 at the New Horizon Assisted Living in conjunction with Fergus county. Participants will gather about 12:30 p.m., with judging at 1:00 and the style show at 3:00 p.m. Registrations need to be turned into the Fergus County Extension Office by Friday, April 24, 2009. For further information and registration forms please contact the Extension Office.



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District and Local News 4-H News

We Want YOU to be a 4-H Ambassador!



Applications are now being accepted for a new Junior Ambassador to serve a 2 year term. Ambassadors are enthusiastic 4-H members, 14 years of age or older as of October 1, 2008, that will represent our county 4-H program and promote 4-H at the community, county, and state level. Applications are available at the Extension Office and are due by **April 15th**.

Swine Weighing and Tagging

Swine weigh day will be on April 25, 2009 at 9 am in the following locations:

Stanford-Tom Hill Ranch
Geyser- Peggy and Leroy Hill Ranch
Hobson-Stevenson Genetics

According to a recently revised county 4-H policy, all 4-H members enrolled in the swine project **MUST** have their pigs tagged and weighed at one of the designated locations. Weights from individual members will no longer be accepted. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** If you plan to take pigs to the Central Montana Fair, we will need pictures of the hogs with their tags in their ears.

Easter Egg Hunt and Bake Sale

The Stanford Scramblers will be holding an Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 11 at 9:00 am at the Judith Basin County Fair Grounds. They will also be holding their annual bake sale at K's IGA from 9:00 am until everything is gone. Please come out and enjoy the day!

Project Drop/Add Deadline

The drop/add deadline is June 1st. If you want to add or drop a project you need to do so by this date.



2009 Junior 4-H Camp

Make plans now to attend Junior 4-H Camp on June 9-12, 2009 at Camp Rotary near Monarch! The theme for this year's camp is "Wild and Wacky," and we have lots of fun activities planned. This camp is for 4-H members in 3rd through 6th grade. The registration fee will be \$50. Registration forms and additional information will be available soon.

We are also looking for camp counselors!! If you will be 15 years old by June 1, 2009, this is an opportunity you won't want to miss! Counselors are critical to the success of 4-H camp. They assist in teaching workshops, plan recreation flag rising and campfire ceremonies and much, much more. So, if you want to sing, dance, work hard and play hard, and put your leadership skills to the test, then being a 4-H camp counselor is for you. Please contact the Extension Office for application materials. Camp counselor applications are due by **April 15th, 2009**.

2009 Teen 4-H Camp

This year, teens in our county will have an opportunity to attend an all-new teen camp with counties from across the state! The camp will be held June 18-20 at Yellowstone Alliance Adventures Camp just south of Bozeman. All youth entering 6th through 9th grades are welcome to attend. The registration fee will be \$80 per person. Highlights of the camp include a zip line, climbing wall, game room and much more. We will have lots of fun outdoor activities and great games and workshops. Please contact the Extension Office for registration information. You can also check out the camp website at:

<http://www.yellowstoneallianceadventures.com>

State 4-H News

Montana Natural Resources Youth Camp July 12th-17th, 2009

The future decisions of how our natural resources will be managed will be made by the youth of today. For more than 20 years, the Montana Natural Resources Youth Camp has provided youth an opportunity to study in an outdoor setting the scientific principles, economic realities, historical heritage, and social

perspectives of today, to help these future leaders in their quest to gain a natural resources perspective that is informed and progressive.

Campers spend one week (July 12-17, 2009) in the rustic setting of the Lubrecht Experimental Forest east of Missoula and learn about Montana's natural resources. The students learn about wildlife, forestry, water, soils, geology, range management, and multiple land use, and spend a half-day rafting the Alberton Gorge of the Clark Fork River. Specialty evening programs, guest speakers, hands-on learning-through-discovery, and campfires provide for a lasting summer camp experience. Enrollment is open now and campers are accepted on a first-come basis. The full cost of the camp is \$175.00 which includes meals, supplies, and lodging. Campers are encouraged to contact their local Conservation District for sponsorship which will cover much of the camp cost.

State 4-H Horse Show

For those of you who are planning your fall 4-H schedule, please note that the dates of the State 4-H Horse Show are October 2-4, 2009 in Lewistown. The committee is looking for a logo for the horse show. Any 4-H member may submit a cover to the Fergus County Extension Office by **May 8th**. Please contact the Extension Office if you are interested in submitting a cover. They are also looking for sponsors for the Horse Show, so please let us know if you have anyone in mind.

State 4-H Awards and Scholarships

State 4-H awards and scholarship applications are due **May 1, 2009**. Applications are available on the state 4-H web site at www.montana4h.org under "Programs" then "Awards and Recognition" or "Grants and Scholarships."

Advanced Youth Market Beef Tour

There is a great opportunity coming up in June for 4-H youth and parents interested in the market beef project. We are planning a trip to Billings and the surrounding area that will include a tour of WestFeeds, Inc., a visit to Stillwater Pack in Columbus, MT, and a tour of local feedlots. The event will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 4th, and will conclude at about 5:00 p.m. on Friday. The visit to Stillwater Pack will

include the opportunity for participants to observe a steer being processed from start to finish. A registration form and tentative schedule can be found in this newsletter.

Host Families Needed

Experience another culture first hand by hosting a foreign youth this summer. The 4-H Center for Youth Development has 24 Japanese youth coming to Montana for the summer. They range in age from 12-16 and will be here July 21-August 18. No special plans are required, just a willingness to share your daily lives. If you are interested please contact Kathy Simpson at (406) 374-2280.

Ag-Discovery

Two Week Summer Opportunity for Youth Ages 12-17

Ag-Discovery is an outreach program to help students learn about careers in animal science, veterinary medicine, agribusiness and plant pathology. This 2 week program allows participants ages 12-17 to live on a college campus and learn about Agricultural science from university professors, practicing veterinarians and professionals working for the U.S. government.

Students chosen to participate in Ag-Discovery will gain experience through hands-on labs, workshops, field trips and other group and team building activities.

For more information, please see <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/agdiscovery/> Applications must be postmarked no later than April 17, 2009.

Judith Basin County 4-H Council Minutes January 21, 2009

The January 4-H Council meeting was called to order by President Jan French. Present at the meeting were Janna Kincheloe, Amilee Hill, Nancy Metcalfe, Sara Stevenson, Kim Vincent & Fair Board members Rick Caquelin and John Sampsel.

The old minutes from the last meeting the Fair Board attended were read. Sara mentioned to add garbage to the list of responsibilities for the FB. Everything that was taken back to the FB meeting seemed to be accepted. The Exhibit building is one thing that the board does not

want to be in charge of. They want to leave it the same as it was having the clubs find someone to sit there during the fair. Garbage was also a problem. The council would like to see if we could get 2 dumpsters for the fair only. The FB was in favor for the council getting Barn Superintendents. They are working on the arena. Rick is trying to get a rock climbing wall or an obstacle course, and maybe a concert to alternate with team penning. An idea for a concert was TJ Casey with the hopes of trying to get some sponsors. Following is a list of responsibilities for each group.

4-H Council-Exhibit Building, Fair entries, 4-H policy etc., Round Robin, Judges & Barn Superintendents

Fair Board-Sale & processing, Sale order, Grounds (including bathrooms & clean up of old panels), garbage (dumpsters), bedding (clean & dirty), Arena, entertainment, & Dedication of Fair.

After the lists were initialed we moved on with the regular meeting, Treasurers report was given. A checkbook balance of \$3,642.67, Trip Fund savings-\$5,616.75 Junior Leaders Savings- \$1,561.92, Passbook Saving- \$1,488.19 and CD balance \$3,713.23. It was moved by Amilee to accept the report as read and seconded by Sara.

Kim read the minutes from the last meeting, there was one question about the use of the scale. If the scale is asked for on a Friday and no one else has reserved it can someone else use it? The answer was yes. The minutes were approved as read.

Calendar items:

Jan. 31- State Fair Beef nomination forms due
Feb. 1- People Partner Grant Apps.. Postmarked, CWF Apps. Postmarked, Susan Kay Dufner Scholarships apps. Due
Feb. 8-Quality Assurance Training, 2-4 p.m. Stanford City Hall
Feb. 28-March 1- Horse & Livestock Leader Forums, Billings
March 13-15- Senior Camp, Lincoln
March 20-22 Rec Lab, Forsyth

Extension Office Update:

-Teen Leader & Self Determined Project Plans Due
-IFYE Representative in Judith Basin County on March

11th . Schools in our County are on board about this.

Old Business

Winter judging Kim reported 17 members attended. We fed everyone at no charge. Thanks to Kelsey Kincheloe for doing officials!

Legislative Breakfast Sara reported it was great. They had a super guided tour of the Capital.

Committee Chairs- Jan will have these in a couple of days

Record Book committee Formation- Volunteering for the committee were Sara, Amy Lee, Nancy & Jan and maybe try to get a representative from the Rocking JB's. A meeting will be made for February.

Other old business -was to add to the Fair book- Reserve animals & winners for each species must be prepared to show if need be in the Round Robin showmanship on Saturday.

New Business

4-H exchange club -should have signed up by the 16th of January. Age group is 13-18. Also a deposit of \$50 is needed by Feb. 1st to hold your spot and to help pay for travel expenses to get there. 8-12 kids are needed to go.

Demonstration day was set for March 20th @ 2:00 p.m. We will be having the final rounds like we have had in the past. Jan volunteered to help Janna get judges.

IRS tax filing Requirements- clubs must file reports on line by February 15th.

4-H Curriculum- if anyone has any suggestions about different projects let Janna know.

Barn Superintendents needed! It was recommended that we ask Paul & Janet Wertheimer and Georgia Bingham to be the Horse Superintendents for the Fair. Amilee Hill volunteered to be the Swine Superintendent.
Meeting Adjourned!

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Vincent /Council Secretary



APRIL 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1	2 Happy Birthday Kenneth Vincent	3 Demonstration Day Registration Due	4	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Easter Egg Hunt Stanford Fair Grounds	
12	13	14	15 Junior Camp Counselor Applica- tion Ambassador	16 Happy Birthday River Hughes	17 Demonstration Day Stanford School	18	
19	20	21 Happy Birthday Jeff Sampsel	22	23	24 Fashion Revue Registration Due to Fergus County	25 Swine Weigh Day	
			National Volunteer Week				
26	27	28 Swine Pictures and Weights Due to Extension Office	29 Happy Birthday Stephen Vincent	30			

IMPORTANT INFORMATION INSIDE!!

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