



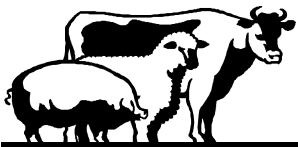
Demonstration Day!

County Demonstration Day for all Judith Basin County 4-H members will be held Friday, March 20, 2009 at the Stanford School beginning at 2:30 p.m. There are several options for 4-H'ers participation in Demonstration Day. Categories include demonstrations, illustrated talk, speech, broadcast, or commercial. There is also a team event called Gavel Games, where members utilize parliamentary procedure skills in a mock 4-H club meeting.

Again this year, a Finals Round will be held in which the top three presenters from each division will give their presentations a second time. The final round will be held after the final demonstrations are given. An awards ceremony will follow the finals round. Food will be available throughout the event.

Demonstration Day is open to the public, and everyone is encouraged to attend. Event guidelines and a registration form can be found in this newsletter. Please remember that requests for a specific time will be made on a first come, first served basis. Registrations are due by **March 6, 2009** to the Extension Office.

Reminder: Market Animal Quality Assurance



It's time for Quality Assurance classes once again! This class is required every two years for all 4-H members enrolled in market animal projects (beef, sheep, and swine). This training covers best production practices related to animal care, nutrition, and handling that 4-H members should be utilizing when raising their animals. This training is required by Montana 4-H in order to ensure that 4-H members are producing the best quality animals possible. Training includes group discussions and hands-on activities. The training will be held this **Sunday, February 8th from 2:00—4:00 p.m.** at the City Hall in Stanford. Please contact the Extension Office if you will NOT be able to attend.

Certification is good for two years, so if you took the class in 2007, you need to take it again this year. We encourage siblings to attend training sessions in the same year. Parents, if you have one child who was certified in 2007 and one certified in 2008, you might want to have them both attend this year's training. A parent or guardian **MUST** attend the training with the 4-H member. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** If a parent or guardian is not present at the training, the child will **not** be eligible to exhibit or sell their animals at the Fair. (continued...)

Dates & Deadlines

February 20-State 4-H
Shooting Sports
Registration Due

March 5-Senior Camp
Registration Due

March 6-Demo Day
Registration Due to
Extension Office

March 6-8 State Shooting
Sports Competition in
Bozeman, MT

March 13-15 Senior
Camp Lincoln, MT

March 20-Demo Day
Stanford School

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

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According to our records, the following individuals need to certify or re-certify this year:

Jake Annala
Cassidy Randel
Chase Hill
Peyton Hill
Caleb Pollari
Shelby Dye
Addie Fiedler
Garth Fiedler
Lander Ridgeway
Lucas Ridgeway
Jeff Sampsel
Tyler Polzin
Kenneth Vincent
Tyson Wilhelms
Hannah Mikeson

Brooke Vincent
Katie Vincent
Dawnita Deichmann
Colton Hughes
Kevin Bingham
Dawson Auck
Abigail Stevenson
CJ Stevenson
Wayne Stevenson
Jordan Stevenson
Nicole Stevenson
River Hughes
Devyn Hughes
Shy-Anne Brewington

"I look forward to Sr. Camp every year. It's a great opportunity to meet new people and experience new things. Not only is it a whole lotta fun, it has helped me become more confident and develop my leadership skills." - D'Jean Peters

"Senior Camp is always a lot of fun and you always come out of it having more friends than before it started." - J. King

"I'm planning on going definitely. It is a time to remember." - Katie McDonald

"The snowshoe softball at this year's camp will be a blast." - Katie Vincent

"Everybody needs to know how to survive in the outdoors and the survival workshop at Senior Camp will be interesting and fun". - Paul Wichman

District and Local 4-H News

2009 4-H Senior Camp "Get in the Game!"

Date: March 13-14

Place: Cane Ridge West, Lincoln, MT

Registration due: Thursday, March 5

Cost: \$60 (includes lodging, programming and four meals)

ALL 4-H members 13 and older are welcome to attend! Please see the enclosed registration form and return it by March 5th to the Fergus County Extension Office. Workshops this year include Swing Dancing, Memory Games, Stress Busters, Snow Shoe Softball, Healthy Nutrition Habits, Outdoor Survival, The Best I Can Be and First Impressions. Saturday night activities will include the traditional formal dinner



club or school!" -Lance Olson

followed by board games and dancing. We hope all teens will plan on attending!

"Sr. Camp is a great place to meet new friends, have fun, and learn new things that you can apply to your

Looking for pigs?

The Homeplate Ranch will be offering approximately 40 4-H hogs at an auction sale on March 21st in Fairfield at the Broken O Sale Barn. Please call Keith Giles at (406) 590-3284 for more information.

State 4-H News

Horse and Livestock Leader's Forum

The Montana 4-H Horse and Livestock Forum will be held February 28 – March 1 at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center. Carbon County Extension is hosting this year's Forum and has put together a great list of workshops that are about 50% horse related and 50% livestock related. There will also be a horse skill-a-thon on Saturday. Please note that a few minor changes in workshop offerings may occur.

Registration forms are available at the following website: <http://msuextension.org/HLLForum2009/Registrationadd.asp>. The registration fee will be \$100 for earlybirds and \$125 after the 20th of Feb. A block of rooms have been set aside at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center for \$70.00 per night. You can reserve your room by calling 1-800-537-7286.

Also this year we ask that you fill out a Family Feud Survey. This survey's results will be announced at the lunch on Saturday: <http://msuextension.org/HLLForum2009/FamilyFeudSurveyadd.asp>

Montana State Shooting Sports Competition

The 2009 14th Annual State Shooting Sports Competition will be held at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds on March 6-8, 2009. All participants must be 9-19 years old as of October 1, 2008 and registered members of Montana 4-H programs. Awards will be given to the top shooter in each event as well as to the top three shooters in each event by age group entered. Entry forms must be completed and received by February 20, 2009 to guarantee a time and shooting position. If you would like the registration form or further information please contact the Extension Office at (406) 566-2277 ext. 105.

Host families needed!

The deadline for ALL summer Inbound programs is March 15, 2009. 4-H families can host a Japanese, Costa Rican, Finnish or Norwegian delegate or an IFYE. Program dates and hosting lengths vary so please contact your county office, Regional International Coordinator, or Stephanie Davison at 994-3502 or sdavison@montana.edu for more information and application materials. This is a great chance to meet someone from another country and to make a lifelong friend.

State Rec Lab

State 4-H Rec Lab - "Take the Green Challenge!"
Take the green 4-H challenge and register today to attend the 2009 Montana 4-H Rec Lab. It will be held March 20-22 in Forsyth. Wally Badget, cartoonist and humorist from Miles City, will keep the participants in stitches during an active, engaging presentation. Twenty different workshops are being offered over the course of five sessions ranging from paintball and art to video production and a treasure hunt! Rec Lab provides youth an opportunity to meet other youth from across the state, develop leadership skills, and learn fun recreational activities that can be used in club settings, county events and at other unexpected moments. Rec Lab is for youth 13 years of age or older as of October 1, 2008. The registration fee is \$50, which includes lodging and meals. A Leaders College

track is also being offered as a part of the event. Event details and the registration form are available online at <http://montana4h.org/#program:33>. Click on "get details". **Registration is due February 23, 2009.** Cascade County is planning on taking a bus to the event, so participants will have a ride to and from the event. If you haven't ever participated in a statewide event, Rec Lab is a great one to check out!

Girls for a Change Conference

- ◆ Where: Montana State University Student Union Building
- ◆ When: Saturday, February 28, 2009, 7:45 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
- ◆ Cost: \$15 per girl

What: A conference put on by girls and their adult mentors featuring a variety of fun workshops and service projects. Keynote speaker is Dr. Luanne Freer, a volunteer medic at Mt. Everest base camp. In addition to the girls conference, there will be a fun and highly interactive women's workshop presented by author Deidre Combs. All participants will receive copies of Deidre's books, *The Way of Conflict* and *Worst Enemy, Best Teacher* and keynote luncheon ticket with Dr. Luanne Freer. The cost of the workshop is \$150.00, with all proceeds to benefit the "Girls for a Change" conference. Registration materials are available at the Extension Office.

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.

Rifle Raffle for Montana 4-H Shooting Sports Program

1,000 tickets are being sold in a raffle for a \$2,500 gift certificate towards a Shilo Sharps rifle. The drawing will be held June 21, 2009 at the Quigley Shoot in Forsyth. You do not need to be present to win. Tickets

are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. For more information, please contact Todd Kesner at 994-6816.

Scholarships Available!

The Montana Association of Conservation District is offering two \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors and students who have completed two semesters at an accredited post-secondary school. Applications are available at the Extension Office, and have a deadline of **February 15th**.

The NILE Collegiate Scholarship is available to high school seniors. NILE awards nine general scholarships in the amount of \$500 each. Scholarship guidelines can be found by going to: www.thenile.org and clicking on "NILE Scholarship."

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. There will be a \$20 registration fee, and participants will be responsible for their own hotel costs. We have reserved a block of rooms at the Wingate Inn at the rate of \$99/night (4 people/room). This is a statewide event, and participation is limited, so please contact the Extension Office ASAP to reserve your spot!

More on Demo. Day... Demonstration & Public Speaking

Prepared Speech

You may choose any topic for this speech. Time limits are listed below. Note cards may be used but you should not read from them. No props or visual aids are allowed in the prepared speech category.

Beginners: 3-5 minutes

Juniors: 5-7 minutes

Seniors: 5-7 minutes; plus 2 - 3 minutes impromptu

Illustrated Talk

A communication which conveys information with the use of visual items and illustrations. Charts and posters are used to enhance oral presentations. To be effective, an oral presentation must be concise and flow smoothly. Illustrated Talks are not timed and there are no point deductions assessed for being under- or overtime. However, it will be helpful to follow these guidelines. Keep in mind that your Illustrated Talk at State Congress must be at least 7 minutes long.
**Beginners: 3-5 minutes, Juniors: 5-7 minutes
Seniors: 7-20 minutes**

Demonstration

A presentation that shows how to complete a task, a hands-on, step-by-step presentation which prepares the audience to complete a task. This is a how to presentation. *Team Demonstration:* Two persons work together to deliver the presentation. Each person must share equally in the verbal and visual parts of the presentation.

Only beginners and juniors may give team demonstrations. *Time guidelines are the same as for Illustrated Talk.*

Commercials

They're short, they're fun and they are convincing! They encourage you to buy things or to become involved. Here's your chance to create one.

♦ Choose a product or idea you would like to sell.

♦ Cover or conceal any brand names and create your own brand name.

♦ Prepare a convincing presentation that would make your audience want to buy this product.

Remember, commercials are quite short. Be certain your commercial includes the three parts of an effective communication: an introduction that catches attention, a body that gives documentation of reasons the audience should buy the product or idea, and a summary that leaves an impression of the most important idea you want the audience to remember.

Broadcast

You can be the voice behind some of those exciting stories you hear on the radio. Your radio broadcast may be written and you may read from your script. You will be in your broadcasting booth speaking over a microphone. The success of your story will depend

on the words you choose, organization of your information, use of your voice, and rate of delivery.

You need to prepare a *newscast which would include 4 to 5 news items of about 30 seconds each.*

For more information about Demonstration Day, please contact your club leader or the Extension Office. We look forward to seeing you on March 20th!

Judith Basin County 4-H Council Minutes November 12, 2008

The November 4-H council meeting was called to order by President Jan French on November 12, 2008. Present at the meeting was Traci, Mikkelsen, Sara Stevenson, Kelly French, Janna Kincheloe, Nancy Metcalfe, Kim Vincent and guest speaker Jennifer Saunders.

An awards presentation was given by Jennifer Saunders. This is the way they assess record books in Fergus County instead of judging the books. Our county is looking into other ways of giving awards instead of by judging record books. No action was taken at this meeting.

Minutes were read and approved after adding Jackie Uricks name to Fair Board members in attendance at the last meeting. Treasurers report was given and approved.

Ending Checkbook balance-\$3969.32

Trip Fund-\$5604.05

Junior Leader Savings-\$1559.66

Pass book Savings-\$1486.32

CD #9488-\$3713.23

Sara Stevenson submitted a bill for meals purchased for the Nile judging. A motion was made by Tracy to pay \$6.00 per member and to include the chaperones meal, seconded by Nancy. Motion passed..

Calendar items:

Nov.. 15-District 3 Leaders Council Teleconference@ 10:15 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to get in on the call.

Nov. 30- Final deadline for 2008-2009 4-H enrollments

Dec.1- State 4-H Livestock committee applications due

Dec. 5-6- shooting sports leader training @ Kalispell

Jan. 18-19- State Congress planning

Jan. 20- 4-H Legislative Breakfast, Helena

Old Business-

-State 4-H Leaders Forum- Janna reported that not one person from our county was in attendance.

-Nile Livestock Judging Sara reported that it went well. She would like to see the kids eat before the official placing are given. The kids were just to hungry. Suggested that we by lunch tickets when we register for the judging.

-4-H Achievement Night. There were a lot of negative vibes from the whole night. New ideas are needed to make this night more interesting and awarding for the members that work so hard for the awards. We will discuss this more at the March meeting.

-Winter Livestock judging -two date were given to Janna she will let the Utica Sapphires & Rocking JB's know as to which date works best. The judging will be at Stevenson Genetics.

-Committee Chairs for 2008-09- Jan will get a list of leaders & committee names and will call and get people to be chair persons.

-Discussion of Round Robin age groups- Jackie moved to go back to just having a Jr. group (9-13) & a Senior Group(14-18) for all showmanship including Round Robin 2nd by Kim. Motion passed.

-Scale Rules

When you use the scale you must be able to bring it back the next day.

The scale must be stored inside. Please keep out of the weather!

The scale must be returned in the same condition as it was when it was received. Clean after use with water on the floor part.

The scale must be scheduled for use one week in advance with the Extension office

-Legislative Breakfast- Sara volunteered to be the contact person & chaperone. Each club needs to find out if they have any member interested in attending. Please let Janna know if you have any.

New Business-

-Beef weigh day will be held December 13. Kim will be at Basin Angus Ranch new Feedlot @ 9:00.

-Mt. 4-H Foundation 40 the Anniversary Challenge- in addition to the foundation \$4.00/ member you could also donate \$40/club or \$400 /county. Jackie made a motion to send \$400 for our county out of the trip fund

IMPORTANT INFORMATION INSIDE!!

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it was 2nd by Nancy. 6 for 1 against motion passed.

-Teen camp options- Janna had discussion at a District meeting with other counties that would like to get together and have a 6or7 county wide 4-H camp for 6-8th graders. The camp would possibly be held in Bozeman at a site that offers a wide variety of activities including swimming and rock climbing. The younger member would still attend Camp Rotary. More discussion at a later date.

-Carcass awards-Jackie has been working on some ideas to generate money for awards. She will bring in some more information that she has already put together.

-Open discussion on paying out money for meals & chaperones for trips.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be January 14, 2009 @ 6:00.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Vincent
Council Secretary

4-H: The Youth Development Program of MSU Extension

