



Powder River County Footnotes

4-H News

February 2010

Dues were Due

The deadline for clubs to turn their dues into the 4-H Council was **January 15th**. If your club hasn't already done so, please pay your dues as soon as possible. Dues to the 4-H Council are \$5.00 per leader and \$1.00 per member.

People Partner Grants:

Note the fast approaching due date (February 1st) for People Partner Grants. If you have a special project in your community, these grants can be very helpful. The purpose of the program is to provide incentives and financial support to programs that will enhance the quality of living for people in a community. Contact the office (quickly) if you need more information.

Livestock Judging Workshop Offered

The Liscomb Mountain 4-H Club will be hosting a county wide livestock judging later this spring for all 4-H and FFA members. To prepare kids, there will be a workshop for how to give reasons on February 8, 2010 at 3:30 pm in the Election Room. Other dates will be given at that time for more workshops. Taten Anderson and Drew Gaskill will share their experiences and what opportunities are available through livestock judging. For more information, contact Taten or Drew.

2010 Citizenship Washington Focus

Citizenship Washington Focus is an educational trip to tour our nation's capitol. Delegates, 15 years and older by October 1, 2009, stay at the National 4-H Center and enjoy outstanding opportunities for sightseeing, as well as citizenship development. Past delegates have reported this as a highlight of their 4-H experience. The dates are set for June 12-19; the deadline to apply is February 1st. The cost is estimated at \$1,700.

Fairbook Dedication & Theme Suggestions Due Feb. 15th

Your creativity is needed to help plan a fun and exciting Fair. Please submit nominations for deserving people in the community who would be honored by having the Fairbook dedicated to them. In addition, the Fairboard is always interested in themes...please share your ideas with a Fairboard member or with the Extension staff.

Calendar

February

- 1 People Partner Grants Due
Citizenship Washington Focus Apps Due
- 3 Youth Issues Meeting, 8:30 am
Teen 4-H Meeting, Noon
- 8 Livestock Judging Workshop, 3:30, Election Room
- 15 Fairbook Dedications and Themes Due

March

- 8 4-H Council Meeting, 5:00 pm, Election Room
Ambassador Interviews, 4:00
- 15 Teen Counselor Apps for 4-H Camp Needmore Due

April

- 5 Demonstration Day Forms Due
- 18 "4-H Speaks Out and Shows the Way"
Demonstration Day
- 19 Demonstration Day Make-ups, 4:00 Election Room



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Apply to be a 4-H Camp Needmore Teen Counselor!

Applications are available at the Extension office and due March 15th at the Prairie County Extension Office for anyone interested in serving as a teen counselor at 4-H Camp Needmore in Ekalaka June 15th -18th. Fourteen as of October 1, 2009 is the age limit. It is an application process so not all who apply will be selected this year. Being a counselor is a wonderful leadership experience...don't let it pass!

4-H Speaks Out and Shows the Way– April 18th:

Demonstration Day is scheduled for Sunday, April 18th. It is never too early to begin planning for the event. If you need ideas or guides on giving demonstrations or speeches, contact our office. We have videos and publications to help you. Registration forms are included in this newsletter and are due back to the Extension Office by April 5th. Remember, in order to be considered for the Achievement of Excellence Award (AEA) at the end of the 4-H year, you must have given a county demonstration, a cowboy poetry entry, speech or creative works. **If anyone is unable to participate in the County Contest on April 18th, you may fulfill the AEA requirement by giving your presentation on Monday April 19th at 4:00 pm in the Election Room.**



Would you like to be an Ambassador?

If you are at least fourteen years old, have been a 4-H member for two years, and have experience as a Junior Leader or club officer, you are eligible to become the next Powder River County Ambassador. Only one ambassador will be chosen through an application and interview process. Applications will be sent to all eligible 4-H members in February. Applications are due March 1st, interviews will be on March 8th, and 4-H Council will review the recommendation at the council meeting that evening. Jessica Lammi, Senior Ambassador, Taylor Rumph, Junior Ambassador, hold the positions in the county currently, and will assist in the interview process, along with executive officers from Teen 4-H and 4-H Council.

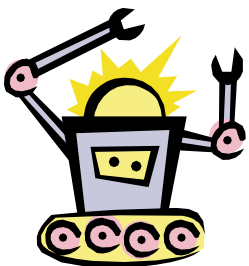
All School Reunion needs your help

4-H Clubs are encouraged to help with the all school reunion scheduled for July 1st -4th, 2010. Check out the website www.powderriverchamber.org for a list of exciting events planned. Rita Cain from Sweet Children's Day Care is in charge of child care. She is hoping that any 4-Hers, particularly those enrolled in the Childcare Project, consider helping her during all or part of those days. Contact Rita at 436-2282, if you are interested.

Twenty-three leaders have become Certified Montana 4-H Volunteers

Our 4-H volunteers make the local, county and state 4-H program strong! Thanks to each of you for completing the application process here in Powder River County.

Robotics Class Underway!



Six 4-H members are enrolled in a beginning robotics class taught by volunteer Jerry Strobel. Alyssa and Amy Riley, Madison Collins, Ashley Bird, Riley Pitman and Shaw LaPlant are meeting Tuesdays in January and February to design programs and build robots.



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