



Ravalli County 4-H News



June 2011

Dear 4-H Families,

Montana 4-H is celebrating 100 years of 4-H in the upcoming 2011-2012 4-H Year!

Throughout the centennial year, October 2011 to October 2012, Montana 4-H youth, volunteers, staff and alumni will be celebrating the many accomplishments Montana 4-H has achieved in its 100 years!

In Ravalli County, a Centennial Committee was developed at the May 4-H Advisory Council meeting to spearhead events and activities to celebrate this milestone. Cheryl Disney, 777-5510 or email: rocknriders4h@aol.com is heading up the committee and would like each club to be represented. At your next club meeting, please discuss and bring your ideas to the next 4-H Advisory Council meeting on Monday, July 25. The dinner will kick off at 6 PM and the meeting at 6:30 PM. Come join us for a fun meeting at the Hiker's Cabin, Lake Como.

- What type of events should we hold for the Centennial Celebration?
- Make a list of 4-H alumni that you know in the area.

The Montana 4-H Center has created a website for the centennial. Please visit it at <http://mt4hcentennial.squarespace.com/> A special thanks to Patrice Loucks for creating a 100 years of 4-H in Ravalli County poster that will travel around the state with other county posters.

Thanks for your help and have a wonderful June!

Katelyn Andersen

MSU Extension Agent



1919 Upper Burnt Fork Farm



1923 Como Clothing Camp



1965 Congress Delegation



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Save the Date!! Ravalli County Fair

Aug. 31– Sept. 3, 2011

Theme: Rodeo Ropes and Ribbon Hopes!

Scheduled activities are subject to change. For updated information contact the Extension Office at 375-6611. All items for the next month's newsletter must be submitted by the 20th of each month and be limited to one-half page. Newsletter items can be emailed to ravalli@montana.edu or delivered to the Extension Office. Check out the Ravalli County 4-H website: <http://www.msuxextension.org/ravalli>

4-H News:

Fundraising Equipment Available:

There is a banner for clubs to use for fundraisers or community service projects that reads: Ravalli County 4-H Supporting your local youth. Clubs can also rent a sno-cone machine, cotton candy machine, popcorn machine or large coffee pots from the Ravalli County 4-H Council for \$10! Non 4-H entities can rent the same equipment for a higher price: \$25! There is a required deposit and form to fill out. Call the Extension Office or via email at: ravalli@montana.edu

Did you know:

You can earn pennies for 4-H each time you use Goodsearch as your search engine? Just put MT 4-H Foundation in as your preferred charity and watch the support grow!



4-H License Plates

Remember when renewing or purchasing a license plate to consider the 4-H license plate. It is available at the Motor Vehicle Department.

4-H Advisory Council July Meeting

Date: July 25
Time: 6 (Dinner), 6:30 (Meeting starts)
Location: Hiker's Cabin, Lake Como



Celebrate the summer with the 4-H Advisory Council! This meeting will be a potluck. Please bring lawn chairs and a dish to share. Questions? Call Extension Office, 375-6611

Fair Ribbon Recycle Program

Ravalli County Fairgrounds would like to recycle fair ribbons! If they are not written on, please bring by the fair office. Save money. Save the environment! Questions? Rusty at 363-3411.



Ravalli County Fairgrounds Open Riding Opportunity

Open riding is beginning here at the Fairgrounds. We welcome individuals and families to ride in both our Main & Quality Supply Arenas when no other scheduled activities are occurring. We ask all users to purchase a membership for the riding season. - Visit us in the office at 100 Old Corvallis Road. Individual memberships are \$30, families \$50. All members will be entered in a drawing for a 2012 membership. Last season's winner was the Shelli Tracy Family - congratulations to them - see you all soon!

Deborah Rogala, Managing Director, RC Fairgrounds
406-363-3411, 100 Old Corvallis Road, Hamilton, MT 59840

4-H Events: In the county

Market Swine Ear Tagging Deadline

Date: June 1

All market hogs must be tagged with official Ravalli County 4-H ear tags by the June 1 deadline and paperwork turned in to the Extension Office postmarked by June 1. Tagging information was mailed to all Market Swine members on April 15th.

Market Sheep Weigh In

Date: June 1

Time: 5:00pm—8:00 PM

Location: North Gate of Fairgrounds

Make sure you have your appropriate paperwork filled out. Market lambs will be accepted for exhibition at the Ravalli County Fair only if tails are not docked shorter than 1-1/8 inches, as measured with a tail measuring device at the spring weigh-in. Questions? Mary Koenan at 777-3809

Market Goat Weigh In

Date: June 1

Time: 5:00pm—8:00 PM

Location: North Gate of Fairgrounds

Make sure you have your appropriate paperwork filled out.

Livestock Quality Assurance Guidelines:

A 4-H member will be required to take LQA two times: once for youth 13 and under and once for youth 14 and over. This applies to both Small and Large Animal members who plan to sell their animals at the auctions.

Last Large Animal Quality Assurance Training Before Fair!!

Date: Tues. June 7, 2011 **Time:** 5:00pm—7:00pm

Location: Extension Meeting Room

Showmanship Clinic 2011

Date: Thurs. June 16, 2011

Time: 6:00 pm, BBQ provided!

Location: Ravalli County Fairgrounds

Brush up your skills at this years showmanship Clinic!

Barn Quest Celebration

Date: June 10

Time: 5-6:30 PM

Location: Mary Koenen's Home, 4450 Illinois Bench Road, Stevi
Join us in celebration of the Barn Quest 2010 accomplishments and kick off to another great summer! Bring lawn chairs, fun games and a dish to share, anything is welcome: salads, entrees, desserts. S'more makings will be provided. We will discuss work days and project ideas too.

Horse Project Fundraiser:

Date: July 22, 23, 24, 2011

Horse members have been asked to help out at the Peter Campbell Horse Clinic. We will be running the concession stand and helping with the auditors. We will be asking level 4-7 members to help at the clinic and will be asking level 1-3 members for food donations to sell at the concession stand. Proceeds that we earn will be used to help cover the arena fee for horse camp. In past years we have paid the arena fee with a 4-H savings account. These proceeds will help us to not use up the savings account and therefore be able to continue to offer the horse camp for the same low cost of the past few years. Level 4-7 members who volunteer their time at the clinic will be invited to join a special 4-H clinic given by Peter Campbell on Saturday night from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Please email jonell@cybernet1.com if you are willing to help with either time or food donations.



4-H Horse Clinic

Date: June 4th

Time: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Location: at the C-Max Stables.

Levels 1-3 only. Bring a sack lunch and \$5 arena fee per rider.

For more information contact: Jonell at jonell@cybernet1.com

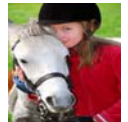
Save the Dates! 4-H Horse Camp

Date: June 28th – June 29th 2011

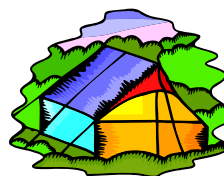
Location: Sapphire Event Center, 1750 Eastside Hwy, Corvallis

Registration deadline: June 20, 2011

Registration packets available online at: <http://www.msuxextension.org/ravalli> or via the Extension Office at 375-6611



It's time to sign up for 4-H Camp!



Dates: July 19-22, 2011 (Tues.-Fri.)

Location: Loon Lake 4-H Camp, Big Fork, MT

For whom: Youth 4-H Age 8-12

Deadline: June 24 to Extension Office

Cost: \$95 – scholarships are available

Ravalli County 4-H Counselor and Director Team have designed and planned the 4-H Junior Camp for summer 2011! 4-H Camp is a four day outdoor camp filled with canoeing, making new friends, fun in the sun, learning new skills, relaxing by the fire, building teamwork, sharing the adventure and HAVING THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE! We have some amazing youth who have been preparing for you to come and enjoy a week in nature. No worries, parents, these youth leaders are top notch. There are also parents and adult leaders who help make this camp safe and full of fun. Please call the office if you have any questions. Psst! We also need chaperones to be cabin moms and dads and they get to go free! Registrations available at: <http://www.msuxextension.org/ravalli> or call 375-6611

**Congratulations
2011
Graduating
Seniors!**

**Kelsey Brangoccio
Jennifer Goffena
Travis Griffin
Casey Halstead
Jessica Halstead
Eden Hanrahan
John Hillman**

**Colt Hudson
Gracie Kollman
Fallon McNamara
Summer Morton
Katelynn Reed
Meghan Schmidt
Andrew Seegraber
Taylor Shupert
Martha Skaggs
Mika Virtaneva**

**Good Luck to
you!!**

Silver Spurs 4-H Club is Hosting a "Family Walk A Thon" to Support St. Jude Children's Hospital.

St. Jude is the first and only pediatric cancer center to be designated as a comprehensive cancer center by the National Cancer Institute. St. Jude has treated children from all 50 states and around the world. The daily operating costs are \$1.5 million which are primarily covered by public contributions. During the past 5 years, 81 cents of every dollar received has supported the research and treatment at St. Jude.

Our event will take place at the Lee Metcalf Refuge in Stevensville on Saturday, June 25th, at 1:00 PM. We ask everyone to get donations and to invite everyone to this event. For a \$35.00 pledge, they will receive a St. Jude Volunteer t-shirt, for a \$75.00 pledge a backpack and for a \$150.00 pledge, a nice blanket. This will be a fun way to spend time with your family while supporting a wonderful cause. Any donations are appreciated. Part of the 4-H Pledge is to Pledge your heart to greater loyalty, your hands to larger service, your health to better living for your club, your community, your country, and your world. By helping St. Jude Children's Hospital, you are doing just that! We ask all clubs to try and get pledges for the event. Any questions or to help with the event please call Ginger Desrosier @ 777-2215.

**New County Wide Global
Citizenship Project**

Global Citizenship promotes global understanding and valuing diversity. It's an opportunity to share travel experiences, learn about cultural practices – food, art, dress etc. Improve research, discussion, presentation skills. If this interests you, contact the Extension Office at 375-6611 to get your name on the RSVP list to be contacted when we set our first meeting.

4-H Corner Cafe At Fair 2011!

We are looking for 3 beef cows or steers and 5 lambs not older than 1 1/2 years old. All animals are a Tax donation. Attention Club Leaders please call to reserve a time slot for your club to help at the café during fair. Contact Betty Carter our Café Manager at 961-5545 if you can donate an animal or to schedule. Thanks in advance!

Save the Date!! Small Animal Seminar

Date: Sat. July 16, 2011

Time: 9:00 am– 4:00 pm

Location: Ravalli County Fairgrounds

Lunch Provided, parents welcome, no animals please.

2011 Speech and Demo Day

Look for the results of the May 31st contest in your july newsletter! Great job contestants!



Carnival 2011 Results!

Top Tickets Sold: Silver Spurs 4-H club

Best Carnival Booth: Montana Outlaws

Thank you to Pat Baker for our raffle prize oil painting!!



2011 Fashion Revue

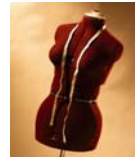
Dazzling Designer Showcase Results!

Top Junior: Bridon Bowman

Judges Choice: Emily Morrison

Judges Choice: Sarah Morrison

Judges Choice: Winnie Jessop



4-H Centennial Quilt Square Contest!

Congratulations to : Megan Kirkland Winner of the Ravalli County Quilt Square Contest!
Thanks to all those who entered!!

Dog News:

4-H Dog Practice starts June 7, 2011 at 6:00 PM. Remember if you are unable to attend please call or email Cheryl Disney @ 777-5510 or rocknriders4h@aol.com Excited to see you there!
Your 4-H Dog Team



Rabbit News:

Kit-Kat Cuddles Rabbit Practice Show

- **Date:** Sat., June 18, 2011
- **Time:** 9:00 am
- **Location:** Ravalli County Fairgrounds
- Bring your rabbits, and please dress in Showmanship attire. See You There!



4-H Events: In the state

Montana 4-H Congress 2011
July 12-15, 2011



Who: Open to all members 4-H age 14-19.

Theme: "Unleash the Power"

Date: July 12-15, 2011

Location: Montana State University in Bozeman

Registration Deadline: June 8 to Extension Office

Cost: \$75*, Chaperones are free!

Montana 4-H Congress has been going on for over 75 years! This event includes workshops, contests, entertainment, social events, and the opportunity to recognize all State Award Winners as well as 4-H Foundation Scholarship Winners.

*The total cost per participant is approximately \$300. Please thank your 4-H Council for covering 75% of the costs to attend this event. These funds were raised by funds raised through Carnival and Corner Café.

So how do you get to Congress? Those who competed in one of the competition areas on the local level (Cook-Off/Stir-Ups, Fashion Revue, Quilting and Speech and Demo) have an opportunity to attend Congress. Feel free to create a team in any of the other areas: Livestock Judging, Horse Judging, Gavel Games, etc. One team per area will go to Congress. If you are interested in creating a team, contact the Office by June 1, 2011. If you have never attended Congress and would like to go, you can attend as an open delegate for one year to learn what it is all about!

Congratulations to the following who are currently representing Ravalli County at Congress 2011 Pamela Fawns (Cook-Off/Stir-Ups), Walker Weber (National Shooting Sports Competitor), Martha Skaggs (Senior Ambassador), Rebecca Fawns (Junior Ambassador), Courtney Shupert (In-coming Junior Ambassador).

Visit for <http://montana4h.org/#program:1> more information!

International Programs:



Host families are still needed for the following Programs:
Thanks for all your help so far.

Johannes from Sweden from 10/16-11/6

Daniel from England from 8/7-8/28

Daniel from England from 8/28-9/11

For more information contact: Stephanie Davison at 994-3502 or via email at: sdavison@montana.edu

Congratulations to our Ravalli County Archers:



- **Casey Halstead of the Sapphire Shamrocks**
- **Walker Weber of the Rocky Mountain Ranchers**

These bright young men will be joining two Helena County boys Shane & Garrett Mitchell. They will represent Montana on the State Archery Compound Team June 20-24 in San Antonio Tex. Great job archers!

Ravalli County 4-H Clubs take on "The Taylor Challenge"

A special thank you to the Barnyard Bunch, Montana Outlaws, and the Sapphire Shamrocks for your generous donation to this great cause! We applaud you!! Other Ravalli clubs: if you donate to the Taylor Endowment Challenge; the Taylor family is matching your donations. That's twice the money to support the 4-H Foundation.

2011 Montana Fair Junior Livestock Show



Dates: August 12 - 20, 2011

Location: Yellowstone County, Billings, MT

Registration Deadline: Entries must be received by July 1 (not postmarked July 1!) All individuals are required to bring their animals to one ear-tagging site on a specific date at a specific time. An Exhibitors Handbook will be online this year. You can also register online at www.montanafair.com.

Leader Opportunities In the state

Montana 4-H Leadership Forum



Date: September 23 – 25, 2011

Location: Buck's T-4 Lodge in Big Sky

Theme: "4-H without Borders"

District 6 is putting on this annual event and is asking for workshop proposals. Workshops can be on a topic for both youth and/or adult audiences. If you have a workshop idea or would like more information please contact: Mary Ann Keyes, MSU Park County Extension, 414 E. Callender St., Livingston, MT 59047 (406)222-4156 or via email at: mkeyes@montana.edu



National 4-H Congress Chaperone Opportunity

The Montana 4-H Leaders Council will select one current 4-H leader at large to chaperone the Montana delegation to Atlanta November 24-29, 2011 for National 4-H Congress. Interested volunteer leaders should complete *National Congress Chaperone Application* and return to the 4-H Center by June 27th. Emailed applications and reference letter can be directed to bschomer@montana.edu. The leader's council will review applications at their meeting during Montana 4-H Congress. All travel expenses are paid for this opportunity. Please share this exciting opportunity with all of your leaders.

Other Opportunities:

If space is available, the 4-H newsletter will include events, contests and other opportunities that are non-4-H sponsored events.

Natural Resources Youth Camp Recruits Youth for 25th Year!

Dates: July 17-22, 2011

Location: Missoula, Montana.

For Whom: Youth, ages 14-18

Camp Fee: \$200 which includes meals, supplies, and lodging. Youth are invited to spend a week this summer learning about natural resources through a series of hands-on experiences in Montana's outdoors. Campers are encouraged to contact their local Conservation District at www.macdnet.org for sponsorship, which could cover much of the camp fee. To register visit the camp website www.mnryc.org or contact Martin Twer, MSU Extension Forestry at: 406-243-2775



UPCOMING JACK POT SHOWS:

2011 Marias and Teton Feeder Show

Date: Saturday, June 4, 2011

Location: Choteau, MT

Judging: Steers and Heifers

Townsend Valley Jackpot Show

Date: Sunday, June 5, 2011

Location: Broadwater County Fairgrounds

Judging: Beef - Sheep - Hogs

Helena Jackpot

Date: Saturday, June 11, 2011

Location: Lewis & Clark County Fairgrounds

Judging: Beef - Sheep - Hogs

Huntley Eagles 4-H Club Prospect Show

Date: Sunday, June 12, 2011

Location: Big Horn Co. Fairgrounds, Hardin MT.

Judging: Beef - Sheep - Hogs, and Goats

Project Rock – N – Wranglers Goat Show

Date: Saturday June 25th, 2011

Location: Metra Park. Grassy area in front of Nile building.

Judging: Meat and Dairy Goat Classes

Bitterroot Youth Jackpot

Date: Saturday, July 2, 2011

Location: Ravalli County Fairgrounds

Judging: Beef - Sheep - Hogs, and goats

Questions? Contact: Shelley Brown at 777-3539, Chris Campbell at 961-3458, or Melissa Mc Fadgen at 777-5256. For Information regarding these Jackpot events or to get an entry form please contact the Extension office at 375-6611.

Don't Forget to check out our 4-H For Sale Manual. We are getting calls with animals available for free to our 4-H families!! For free or sale listings stop by the Extension Office or call 375-6611

Save the Date!! Ravalli County Fair

Aug. 31– Sept. 3, 2011

Theme: Rodeo Ropes and Ribbon Hopes!

Fair Ribbon Recycle Program

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- **Ravalli County 4-H Advisory Council Meeting**
- Dinner at 6:00pm, potluck dinner
- Date: Mon. July 25, 2011 meeting at 6:30 pm
- Location: Hiker's Cabin at Lake Como



- **Teen Council Meeting**
- Date: No June Meeting, see you in July!
- Contact: Extension at 375-6611



- **North Valley Poultry Meeting, Every Third Tuesday of the Month**
- Date: Tues., June 20, 2011 Time: 6:30pm Location: Missoula Extension Office
- Contact: Laura DeNitto 273-4645 or myfunnyfarm4@msn.com

- **South Valley Poultry Meeting, Every Third Tuesday of the Month**
- Date: Tues., June 21, 2011 Time: 6:30 pm Location: Corvallis High School Cafeteria
- Contact: Virginia Chaffin at 363-4793, vchaffin@montana.edu or George Mullen at 961-1190, kmkfarm@gmail.com



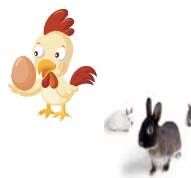
- **Horse Committee Meeting**
- **Held 2nd Thursday every month**
- Date: Thurs., June 9, 2011
- Time: 7:00pm
- Location: Kodiak Jax's Upstairs, Stevensville



- **Hooligan's 4-H DJ Committee**
- Date: Aug. 10, 2011
- Time: 6 PM
- Location: BR Early Learning Center
- Contact: Nancy Preston at 777-1163



- **Livestock Committee Meeting**
- **Held 2nd Tuesday every month**
- Date: Tues. June 14, 2011,
- Time: 7:00 pm
- Location: Corvallis ~ TBA



- **Small Animal Committee Meeting**
- Date: TBA
- Time: 6:30 pm
- Location: Hamilton House, Victor
- Contact: Laura DeNitto at 273-4645



- **County-Wide Electricity/ Aerospace Joint Project Demonstration Day**
- Date: No June Meeting, see you in July!
- Time: TBA
- Location: TBA
- Contact: Pete or Sara Morin 961-5226 or sara.morin@rkymtn.net



- **County-Wide Goat Meeting, See you at the Showmanship Clinic for this months meeting!**
- Date: Thurs., June 16, 2011 Time: 6:00pm
- Location: Ravalli County Fairgrounds
- Contact: Heidi Etter at 381-2282 or icknree2@msn.com



- **County-Wide Rabbit Meeting, Showmanship, bring Carpets & Rabbits**
- Date: Fri. June 10, 2011 Time: 7:00 pm
- Location: Lakeland Feeds
- Contact Katie Freeman at 207-6218 or junkbunny3@aol.com

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- Date: Sat., June 18, 2011
- Time: 9:00 am
- Location: Ravalli County Fairgrounds
- Bring your rabbits, and please dress in Showmanship attire. See You There!



- **County-Wide Dog Practice, Remember, if you are unable to attend please contact Cheryl**
- Date: Tues. June 7, 2011 Time: 6:00 pm
- Location: Ravalli County Fairgrounds, park outside and enter thru the North Gate (Thanks)
- Contact: Cheryl Disney at 777-5510 or rocknriders4h@aol.com



- **County Wide Beading Meeting**
- Date: Thurs. June 9, 2011 Time: 7:00PM
- Location: Bitterroot Nazarene Church, Victor
- Contact: Cora Vincent at 493-5181 or beadingfancy@gmail.com



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4-H: The Youth Development Program of MSU Extension

Return Service Requested



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 Hamilton, MT 59840

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