



Upcoming Events & Information

Market Beef Paperwork, Fees and Photos Due

Market beef paperwork, fees and photos of the animal with the tag in its ear are due **January 6, 2012**. Paperwork and tags were sent out the first week of December.

CloverKids

Attention all Teton County Cloverbuds! We invite all Teton County Cloverbuds (registered 4-H members between the ages of 5-7) and a parent/adult to come join us in a night filled with learning and activities based on the four "F's" in 4-H: Fun, Friends, Food, and the Fair.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, **January 10, from 6-7 pm at Caroline & RJ Rogers' house**. If you are planning on joining us, need directions or have questions please call Caroline Rogers at 467-3980. **Meetings are being hosted in various parts of the county, based on volunteers hosting.**

Exchange Meeting

The next Exchange meeting is **January 15 at 2 p.m. at Hodgskiss's**. All Teton County exchange families should have their certification/screening paperwork completed to submit at that time. Anyone 18 and older in the household is required to complete the screening. Exchange biographies are also due for 4-H members. Review the Exchange project book for details.

4-H Council Meeting

The 4-H Council meeting will be held in **Fairfield on February 9, from 6:30—8:30 p.m.**

New this Year for County Presentation Day

County presentation day (demonstrations and illustrated talks) will be held on **Saturday, March 31**. If you are interested in learning a great life skill of organizing your thoughts and presenting them to others, please contact Jane at the Extension Office for more information. We are happy to provide educational sessions for groups, families or individuals as they prepare a demonstration or illustrated talk.

Newly Elected 4-H Officers

Are you the new president, vice president, treasurer, secretary or reporter for your 4-H club? Want to know how to do your job? If so, make an appointment with Jane Wolery at the Extension Office to receive individual officer training. Appointments can be scheduled at times and locations convenient to 4-H members. Jane is also willing to attend club meetings to talk about the responsibilities of each officer.

People Partner Grant

This grant provides financial support for programs that enhance quality of living for community members. Applications are due **February 1**. For more information visit www.montana4h.org/#program:31

Rec Lab

This event will be held in Lewistown at the Yogo Inn on **March 16-18, 2012**, and provides an opportunity for youth and adults to enhance their leadership, communication and team building skills in an action packed and interactive setting. The theme for Rec Lab is 100 Years of Green, to honor Montana 4-H's Centennial. Transportation and carpooling may be available.

Rec Lab programming is designed to provide participants with tips and tricks for being a better club, camp and community leader. Early bird registrations are due **February 7** and regular registrations are due **February 14**. More information and registration are available at <http://montana4h.org/#program:33>

Montana 4-H Heritage Families

The Heritage Families recognition project was created to recognize families during the 4-H Centennial year who have three or more generations of involvement in Montana 4-H in their family histories and are currently active. **Please contact the office for more information if your family fits this criteria.**

Teton County 4-H News

Exchange Will Clean After Events

Teton County 4-H exchange club is raising money for our upcoming exchange with Oregon. We are available for hire to clean up after events in either the Chateau Pavilion or the Fairfield Community Hall. If you need some help cleaning up after your event, please contact either Tammy Townsend, 467-3302 or BethAnn Hodgskiss, 466-5392. Thanks for supporting exchange!

Townsend wins State Make It With Wool Contest

Teton County was well represented at the Make It With Wool competition this year. The district contest was held in Great Falls on November 12, 2011. In the pre-teen division, Hannah Konen placed second and Annie Townsend placed first. In the Jr Division Katie Townsend placed second and Abigail Konen placed 4th.

The pre-teen division does not advance any further than the district level, so Hannah and Annie have set their sights on next year. Katie and Abigail both advanced on to the state competition held on December 3 in Billings. Katie ended up with a first place finish so gets to advance on to the National competition in Scottsdale, AZ January 26-28. Congratulations to Katie and all our Teton county contestants!

Record Books

We encourage you to think about working on your record books throughout the 4-H year. It will make it much more pleasant to do them either monthly or quarterly than to wait until the end of the 4-H year.

If your club needs information or a lesson on how to complete record books, please contact jwolery@montana.edu. There are several 4-H members who are very skilled at record books who might be willing to do a lesson for your club or Jane can schedule a time to meet your club on record books, too.

Reproducing the record book forms in color has become costly. Our county is encouraging members to use the electronic forms that are available on our website at

<http://www.msuextension.org/teton/forms.html>.

The forms are available in Word format and fillable .pdf. Be sure to download and save the forms before entering information. Please contact us, if you have any questions.

Teton County Shooting Sports

Air rifle and air pistol shooting nights are underway! We started our shooting nights on Nov. 29. We start back up on **Tuesday, January 17** and run for seven weeks. Shooting is every Tuesday night. If you're interested in participating, contact Mark at the Extension office.

4-H Livestock Opportunities

Golden Triangle Preview Jackpot

The feeder show will be held in Great Falls on **April 28, 2012**. It is open to 4-H and FFA members. Stay tuned for more information.

Grasshopper Trailblazers Livestock Judging Contest

The judging contest will be held **January 14, near Polaris**. Check-in starts at noon and the judging contest begins at 1 p.m. Please contact the office for more information.

KMON Judging Contest

The contest will be held on **January 21**. Registration information can be found in this newsletter. Registration are due in the Cascade County Extension Office by **January 12**. The cost is \$3.00 per person, per contest. Lunch is available for \$4.00. Registrations are included in the newsletter.

Montana Winter Fair Youth Livestock Shows

The steer and heifer shows will be held on **Sunday, January 22**, and is open to all youth in 4-H, FFA or Junior Cattle Breed Associations. The non-refundable entry fee is \$25 per animal. Please contact the office for registration information.

Working Ranch Horse Project

Pondera County 4-H currently holds project meetings. Members enrolled in Horsemanship levels 1-3 can participate. This is a great opportunity for horse members. If you are interested, please contact Mark at the Extension office.

Celebrate the Montana 4-H Centennial ---

Develop a Memory Display: Create a publicity campaign in your county asking for individuals to donate or lend historical 4-H items such as hats, record books, awards, or souvenirs from 4-H trips or exchanges. Don't forget to ask for 4-H stories to add to your collection. After identifying county alumni, encourage your members to assemble oral histories by interviewing former 4-H members and volunteers. These histories can be displayed during the Centennial and then archived in your local museum.

Centennial Proclamation: Encourage your 4-H Council to develop a Centennial Proclamation and have it signed and read by your county commissioners

Clover Shaped Garden: Create a flower or an herb garden that can be grown at your local fairgrounds, courthouse, park, etc. to commemorate the Montana 4-H Centennial.

Time Travel: Research your county's important 4-H milestones. Create a timeline that can be displayed publicly. This display could also be carried in a parade by current and former 4-H members or posted at the fairgrounds, Extension office, etc.

Time Capsule: What is important or relevant to Montana 4-H in 2012? Gather these items and ideas as well as projections about what Montana 4-H will look like in 25 years. Bury the county time capsule and open it in the year 2037.

Birthday Banners: Create a "Happy 100th Birthday to Montana 4-H" banner that can be displayed at town entrances, public buildings, 4-H donor businesses, or county fairgrounds.

Fair Celebrations: Work with your local fair committee to consider a 4-H Centennial Theme for your fair. Consider using the Montana 4-H Centennial logo for ribbons and awards. Special classes or exhibits could be added such as a costume class in a horseshow depicting the best representation of the Centennial; a clothing class for historical 4-H garment exhibits; a scrapbook class for the best centennial history book, club displays, commercial booths, etc.

Wear Green Day: Ask your county government to declare October 1 "Wear Green Day" in honor of the Montana 4-H Centennial. Publicize it throughout the community. Encourage the 4-H'ers to wear green to school.

Fashion Show: Develop a fashion show displaying a collection of 4-H styles throughout the decades. Consider presenting at the fair, county congress, nursing home, or senior centers.

Patriotic Pride: Give out 100 small American Flags at a Memorial Day or Fourth of July Parade. Put a sticker on each flag stick saying "given by Teton County 4-H in honor of our country and the 100th birthday of Montana 4-H".

*Resources, press releases and templates are available from the Teton County Extension Office

4-H Opportunities and Information

4-H Robotics Training

The 4-H Robotics Training in **Helena on February 11-12**. This is a great training if you are interested in starting a program in your county or looking for ways to enhance your existing program. It is open to teen leaders or adults. The cost is only \$40 and includes lunch on Sunday. Registration is due **February 3**. Please call the office for registration information.

Global Youth Service Day

Global Youth Service Day™ is an annual campaign that celebrates and mobilizes the millions of children and youth who improve their communities each day of the year through service and service-learning. Established in the United States in 1988, and globally in 2000, Global Youth Service Day (GYSD) is the largest service event in the world, and the only day of service dedicated to children and youth. GYSD is celebrated each year in more than 100 countries.

To get involved, mark the dates for GYSD - **April 20-22, 2012** - on your calendar and begin planning. You'll be able to register your project on the GYSD website after MLK Day in January.

Youth in the U.S. can apply for a \$500 Sodexo Youth Grant to help solve the problem of childhood hunger in their community. (1 in 5 children in the U.S. are at daily risk of hunger - help make sure no kid goes hungry in America!) Learn more at www.YSA.org/grants/sodexoyouth

American Youth Leadership Program with Mongolia

This summer, there is an opportunity for teens and adult to participant for the 2012 Enhancing Global Perspectives: American Youth Leadership Program with Mongolia.

- Applications are due **January 15, 2012**
- Twenty-six youth and five adult participants will be selected along with four alternates (2 males and 2 females)
- The exchange trip will be **June 21 - July 19, 2012** (approximately)
- Youth participants must be at least 15 years old and not older than 17 years old by the trip departure date and must have at least one semester of high school left following the trip
- All participants must be U.S. citizens and reside in one of the 13 states in our western region
- There is no program fee and out of pocket expenses will be minimal
- Participants must attend the pre-trip orientation May 17-20 at the University of Wyoming in Laramie Wyoming

Details and application materials are available on the Wyoming 4-H web site at <http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/>

Girls for a Change Conference

The 8th Annual Girls for a Change conference, “100% Possible, Contents May Settle but Never for Less”, will take place **Saturday, February 25, 2012, in Bozeman**. Any girl grades 8-12 is invited to attend. The planning committee is thrilled to have President of Montana State University, Dr. Waded Cruzado as this year’s keynote speaker. Conference registration will be available in January and is \$20, with limited scholarships available.

The planning committee is seeking presenters who will design *interactive, teen appropriate* workshops that will inspire a wide variety of girls from across Montana. [Apply now to present by clicking here!](#) Questions? Call 406-587-3840 or visit www.allthrive.org.

Citizenship Washington Focus

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a 4-H Leadership program for high school youth, ages 15-19, from across the country. Every summer thousands of young people stay at the National 4-H Conference Center, near Washington, D.C., to participate in this week-long program. The applications for the June 9-13 program are due **January 1, 2012**. **Please contact the office for more information.**

MSU Scholarship Opportunities

MSU has significantly expanded the number of available scholarships for incoming freshmen from Montana. Award amounts can range from a one-time \$1,000 scholarship to a \$3,000 scholarship that can be renewed annually for four years. High school seniors who plan to attend Montana State University in the fall of 2012 are encouraged to apply as soon as possible for scholarships through the MSU Premier Scholarship Program. The program has been greatly expanded to offer more money to a greater number of new students from Montana for the fall of 2012. For more information about our **Premier Scholarship Program** for Montana Freshmen, you can go to <http://www.montana.edu/admissions/scholarshipsres.shtml>

Heuscher Attends National 4-H Congress in Atlanta

Over Thanksgiving, I had the chance to go to Atlanta, Georgia to attend National 4-H Congress. This was a great experience that taught me many things. Participants attended workshops, heard numerous speakers (including the current Miss America), completed various community service activities, and toured the city of Atlanta.

The Montana delegation arrived the day before the conference started. We relished this opportunity to shop and grow accustomed to the city before we became busy. This first day, we had many experiences that opened our eyes about how great it is to live in small towns. The second day (Friday) we were in Atlanta was the first day of the conference. We had to attend many workshops that were geared towards meeting new people and team building. There were attendees from 46 states, and Puerto Rico. Friday night, we walked down to Centennial Olympic Park and saw some of the traditional Christmas decorations for this city.

On Saturday, we went to many workshops. The ones that I attended were on Photography in 4-H and Community Service, the Power of Service Learning, and the Coolness of Science. That night, we attended the International Dinner. People from many different countries came and made food that was native to their country. This was a fun way to learn about and get a “taste” of different countries, without leaving your own.

The next day, we had Dr. Eugen Schoenfeld speak at the inspirational assembly. Dr. Schoenfeld spoke about his experiences being a Jewish child during the

Holocaust. He survived the Auschwitz-Birkenau Death Camp. He is now a professor at Georgia State University and on the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust. We had an evening of culture at the Atlanta History Museum. This was very interesting, as we had a scavenger hunt at the museum. We had to look through the exhibits to find clues to solve our puzzle. My group also had the chance to listen to the Georgia 4-H Clovers and Company, which is a talented group of 4-H’ers from all over Georgia that started their own music group.

Monday morning, we spent working on community service projects. I worked at the St. Vincent de Paul Society. This is a nonprofit organization, like Salvation Army, that works with adults and families to improve their living conditions. We stocked shelves in the food pantry and sorted clothes that had been donated over the weekend. The work twenty youth did in about four hours was two days of work that the workers wouldn’t have to do. During the afternoon, we toured the World of Coca-Cola, which encompasses the rich history of the refreshing beverage. That night, we had the Gala and listened to Miss America speak. This was a great closing ceremony and reflection of our time spent in Atlanta.

This was a great experience and I am very glad I was able to attend. If any 4-H members have any questions about how to have the opportunity to attend National 4-H Congress, please contact me through the extension office.



Teton County 4-H Facts

The Cost of 4-H

The Teton County Extension Office understands that we all have different resources available to us at different times. If your family or 4-H member wishes to participate in some of the educational aspects of 4-H, but does not currently have the means to do so, please contact the office to brainstorm possibilities. We may be able to help offset the cost of 4-H camp registration, for instance, or find a sponsor to help with a particular learning project. We may not always be able to help, but we definitely will not be able to help if we do not know help is needed.

Also, if you are looking for enrichment opportunities for your child, but are unable to pay for lessons, etc., consider the Opportunities for All Scholarship. For more details, contact the Extension Office.



4-H Accommodations

As a youth organization, 4-H strives to meet our members at their own levels of interest, capacity and capability. All 4-Hers are encouraged to visit with the Extension Agents regarding their goals for their 4-H career, so that we may help link them to activities, events and opportunities that will be of value to them. If a 4-H member requires adjustments or accommodations – ranging from food allergies to wheel chair accessibility to sign language interpreters – we will gladly try to make those accommodations. We rely upon the members and their families to request these modifications of services. To make such a request, you may indicate in writing, or verbally, that you or your child needs accommodations. We are happy to work with you to adapt the 4-H program to fit your needs.

Photo Release

If you are at a 4-H event in Teton County and have not specified in writing that you do not want your picture taken or used for publicity or promotion, we will assume the right to use photos as deemed appropriate for the 4-H program. If you would like to specify that no pictures of your can be used, you must do so in writing and submit to the Teton County Extension Office.

4-H Club Organizational Leaders

The 4-H year started on October 1, 2011. By now, we hope that you have been able to have at least one club meeting, if not two. Officers for your club should have been elected. Please send a list of the current club officers – president, vice president, secretary, treasurer – to the office. As well, if you have reporters, recreation or song leaders, please let us know which 4-H members will fill that role, too. Our office is willing to provide officer training, either at a club meeting, or individually with members. We can arrange times with students during study halls, after school, etc.

We would like to have a copy of your meeting schedule for the year, or at least be included on correspondence with your club as to meeting schedules. We would like to attend at least one club meeting for each club this year, if possible, but really need to get dates on our calendars in order to facilitate that goal.

Please be sure that your completed yearly financial summary (from the reviews) are signed by the club treasurers. You will be receiving an invoice in January for the one percent fee for belonging to the Montana 4-H Foundation's group exemption number (GEN) and for membership dues. We are combining the two items in one bill to simplify bookwork for your club. Please let us know if there are other ways we can simplify tasks.

Thank you for the work you do as volunteers and as organizational leaders of clubs. Your effort is critical to the recruitment and retention of 4-H members and fundamentally important in training the next generation of active, educated and engaged citizens.

Civil Rights Policy Statement

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Each Extension employee and 4-H Leader has an important role in ensuring that our programs are open and accessible to all in accordance with the goals of the program, and for maintaining a positive and equitable environment. The challenge, for each of us, is to seek out diversity. We are all responsible to recruit and retain people who are traditionally underrepresented in our programs and employee groups. We each become more effective in teaching and learning when we are open to a diversity of ideas, cultures, experiences and backgrounds. Not only are our lives enriched, but we also build healthier communities for learning and living.

MSU Extension and 4-H are pleased to partner with you to achieve the important goals of equity and fairness to all.

Teton County 4-H Facts

	Members	Leaders	Overall
Challenging Champs	21	12	33
Eager Beavers	8	4	12
Eager Eagles	35	30	65
Falcons	9	0	9
Golden Prairie	8	3	11
Old Agency	18	22	40
Prairie Stars	12	7	19
Project Leaders	0	6	6
Spring Creek	26	15	41
Sun River Rough Riders	0	1	1
Teton Wranglers	6	3	9
Total	143	103	246



Projects

Foods	48	Exploring 4-H	4
Market Hog	43	Aerospace	3
Shooting Sports	37	Theatre Arts	3
Market Beef	25	Rabbits	3
Horsemanship	25	Horseless Horse	2
Sewing	22	Robotics	2
Photography	19	Breeding Sheep	2
Cloverbuds	18	Family Adventures	2
Quilting	17	Horticulture	2
Exchange	15	Entomology	2
Leathercraft	15	Cowboy Poetry	2
Market Sheep	13	Outdoor Adventures	1
Woodworking	12	Poultry	1
Arts & Crafts	12	Child Development	1
Beef Breeding	11	Home Environment	1
Knitting/Crochet/ Embroidery	10	Dairy	1
Dogs	9	Weed Science	1
Teen Leadership	6	Range Science	1
Cats	6	Web Design	1
Veterinary Science	5	Babysitting	1
Goats	4	Barley Grower Helper	1
Small Engines	4	Electricity	1
Self-determined	4	Wind Energy	1
Sportfishing	4		

Are You on Our List?

Below is membership by club. Volunteers may not be listed if we are waiting for information on your background check or if all the necessary paperwork was not completed. If you have not received your enrollment forms from your club organizational leader, please contact the office to have a copy forwarded to you. **If your name is not listed below, you are not yet enrolled in 4-H.** **denotes club organizational leader

Challenging Champs

Deanna Burgmaier
Andrew Jensen
Carrie Jensen
Christopher Jensen
Clayton Jensen
Maggie Jensen
Mark Jensen
Ridger Jones
Cathy Maurer
Hailey May
Kinsey May
Casey Simons
Sydney Simons
Levi Smoot
Javy Somerfeld
Jersey Somerfeld
Leona Somerfeld
Zane Somerfeld
Cody Ulsh
Doug Ulsh
Jennifer Ulsh
Trey Ulsh
Wyatt Ulsh
Alexia Willekes
Elyssa Willekes
Hendrika Willekes**
Janessa Willekes
Levi Willekes
Luke Willekes
Cliff Young
Colleen Young
Ethan Young
Kelsey Young

Eager Beavers

Cheyenne Browning
Bailey Deshner
Pandora Deshner
Brigid Miller
Jo Lynn Miller
Maili Miller
Anne Rice
George Rice
Cynthia Rice**
Linda Rice
Cameron Stott
Kate Stott

Eager Eagles

Brooke Anderson
Dillon Anderson
Doug Anderson
Gilbert Anderson
Hunter Anderson
Laurel Anderson
Melissa Anderson
Skyler Anderson
Valerie Anderson
Dennis Barnett
Helen Barnett
Steven Barnett
Joel Beck
Dianne Bremer
Joe Cooper
Clayton Forseth
Justin Forseth
Karen Forseth
Nolan Forseth
Rocky Forseth
Amy Garner
Brandi Garner
Diane Hausmann
Andrew Hicks
Dusti Hicks
Golden Holmquist
Honore Holmquist
Marla Holmquist
Olivia Holmquist
Presley Holmquist
Quincy Holmquist
Abigail Konen
Hannah Konen
Heidi Konen
Madeline Konen
Nicholas Konen
Michael Konen
Denna Lekan
Cindy Luoma
Mariah Maddox
Tamera Maddox
Robert Melott
Robin Melott
Cari Ostberg
Chris Ostberg
Cordell Ostberg
Joy Ostberg**
Luke Ostberg
Shea Ostberg
Stephen Ostberg

Eager Eagles

Wyatt Ostberg
Taylor Pearson
Austin Rogers
Caroline Rogers
Chesney Rogers
Darah Rogers
RJ Rogers
Carson Sand
Dalton Sand
Dale Sand
Delanie Sand
Heather Sand
Anne Townsend
Katie Townsend
Pete Townsend
Tammy Townsend**

Falcons

Cassidy DeBruycker
Reegan DeBruycker
Samara DeBruycker
Kesler Martin
Amanda Willekes
Chuck Willekes
Danielle Willekes
Marshall Willekes
Shane Willekes

Golden Prairie

Dakota Daley
Delani Daley
Shelby Daley **
Tony Daley
Alyssa Selander
David Selander
Morgan Selander
Paige Selander
Julia Stott

Old Agency

Hanna Antonsen
Katelyn Antonsen
Susan Antonsen
Brad Asselstine
Daniel Asselstine
Jason Asselstine
Jennifer Asselstine
Patti Asselstine
Taylor Asselstine
Bellamy Beadle
Darren Beadle
Delaynie Beadle

Old Agency

Amy Bechtold
Elsah Bechtold
Wilbur Bechtold
Alisha Breen
Jerry Breen
Kayla Breen
Liam Breen
Michaela Gunderson
Paula Gunderson
Lena Hesucher
Sally Heuscher**
Susan Heuscher
Carolyn Major
Jacob Major
Kathryn Major
Mark Major
Rebekah Major
Charles Sinton
Jena Sinton
Lisa Sinton
Shayna Sinton
Tim Sinton
Betty Wolery
Jane Wolery

Prairie Stars

Berit Bedord
Brian Bedord
Lisa Bedord
Kimball Briscoe
Kirtland Briscoe
Kwin Briscoe
Dana Dale
Gina Dale
Fred Ginther
Blake Jensen
Alan Peace
Ashley Pearson
Benjamin Roeder
Brent Roeder
Caroline Roeder
Tracie Roeder**
Steven Smith
Isaiah Wendeln
Josiah Wendeln

Spring Creek

Barb Bouma
Kyra Bouma
Carson Crary
Charlotte Crary

Connor Crary
Danelle Crary
Dusty Crary
Sierra Gramm
Beth Ann Hodgskiss
Connor Hodgskiss
Lyle Hodgskiss
Sarah Hodgskiss
Nikki Ley
Tate Ley
Jeff Martinsen
Madison Martinsen
Melody Martinsen
Luke Murnane
Maria Murnane
Sareena Murnane
Matt Park
Becky Rappold
Johnny Rappold
Celie Salmond
Mary Salmond
Molly Salmond
Abby Smith
Jill Smith
Susan Snyder**
Watson Snyder
Colton Stephens
Terry Stephens
Anna Stutz
Sam Stutz
Charley Yeager
Darby Yeager
Darlene Yeager
Garret Yeager
Tori Yeager

Teton Wranglers

Corey Hayes
Krystal Hayes
Taylor Hayes
Reece Mattfeld
Jayelyn Ruckman
Bruce Ruckman**
Janae Ruckman
Claire Ruckman
Kylee Ruckman

Project Leaders

Curly Anderson
Diane Inbody
Stella Plachetka
Helen Rice
Gerry Smith

2011-2012

Teton County Committee & Activity Listings _____

Audit & Budget Committee

Kayla Breen
Cynthia Rice
Dawn Smith-Sullivan

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Hanna Antonsen
Katelyn Antonsen
Alisha Breen
Kayla Breen
Susan Heuscher
Watson Snyder
Lexie Sullivan

Exchange Committee

Beth Ann Hodgskiss
Denna Lekan
Cynthia Rice
Lisa Sinton

Fair Committee

Hanna Antonsen
Katelyn Antonsen
Alisha Breen
Kayla Breen
Sally Heuscher
Susan Heuscher
Dusti Hicks
Robert Melott
Robin Melott
Joy Ostberg
Helen Rice
Heather Sand
Dawn Smith-Sullivan
Colton Stephens
Terry Stephens
Lexie Sullivan
Alexia Willekes
Levi Willekes

Textile Committee

Cynthia Rice
Abby Smith
Jill Smith

Livestock Committee

Barb Bouma
Danelle Crary
Nikki Ley
Robert Melott
Robin Melott
Anne Rice
George Rice
Dale Sand
Terry Stephens
Doug Ulsh

Horse Committee

Barb Bouma
Kyra Bouma
Chottie Crary
Danelle Crary
Pandora Deshner
Robert Melott
Robin Melott

Record Book Committee

Danelle Crary
Pandora Deshner
Sally Heuscher
Susan Heuscher
Dusti Hicks
Beth Ann Hodgskiss
Connor Hodgskiss
Sarah Hodgskiss
Melody Martinsen
Leona Somerfeld

*Demonstration Day

Sierra Gramm
Connor Hodgskiss
Susan Snyder

*Event committee

***If you are not on a committee list and would like to be, please call the office.

Only certified leaders have been enrolled and assigned to committees.

If you turned in your enrollment to the office and your name does not appear on the list:

-your information has not been entered into the background check software, yet.

OR

-your application was not complete and you will receive information on how to complete it.





What is a 4-H Club?

4-H is the premier youth development program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Originating in the early 1900's as "four-square education," the 4-H's (head-heart-hands-health) seek to promote positive youth development, facilitate learning and engage youth in the work of their community through the Cooperative Extension Service to enhance the quality of life. For more than a hundred years, 4-H has been dedicated to creating opportunities for youth that broaden skills and aspirations nurturing the full potential of youth.

4-H CLUB DEFINITION:

A 4-H Club is an organized group of at least five youth from three different families who meet regularly with adult volunteers or staff for a long-term, progressive series of educational experiences.

4-H CLUB PURPOSE:

The purpose of a 4-H club is to provide positive youth development opportunities to meet the needs of young people to experience belonging, mastery, independence, and generosity—the Essential Elements—and to foster educational opportunities tied to the Land Grant University knowledge base.

STRUCTURE OF A 4-H CLUB:

- ◆ Enrolls at least 5 youth members from at least 3 families.
- ◆ Conducts a minimum of 6 regular club meetings per year, with many holding 9-12 regular meetings throughout most or all of the year, and often supplemented by project meetings, camps, fairs, and other 4-H learning activities.
- ◆ Selects youth officers or youth leaders to provide leadership to the club.
- ◆ Meets in any location—a home, community center, military installation, library, public housing site, school, afterschool program, and/or many other places.
- ◆ Adapts to and supports mobility of youth and parents—linking them to 4-H programs in other counties and states.
- ◆ Meets interests and needs of youth in same-age or cross-age groupings and using single project or multiple project formats.
- ◆ Is advised by adult staff or volunteers who have been screened and trained.

WHAT IS A 4-H PROJECT?

A 4-H Project is a planned sequence of age-appropriate and research-based learning opportunities. As a result of long-term active engagement in the project, the youth gains knowledge and develops skills based on planned goals and identified outcomes. 4-H project work is guided by trained adults who help youth set goals and provide access to appropriate curricula and resources.

Clover Classes

For 4-H Members & Cloverbuds

New this year! We have a slate of Clover Classes lined up for Teton County 4-H members. We are always interested in more educational offerings for our 4-H members. If you have a skill or project you'd like to teach, please contact our office. You can do a one-time class or a series of classes to complete a project. Classes can range from 30 minutes to several hours. You must pre-register for classes.

Clover Classes!

Class registrations will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. If class is full, please ask to be placed on a waiting list. Many instructors have offered to repeat classes if warranted. In most cases parents are welcome to attend, but may not be able to participate due to space constraints.

Knitting! Wednesdays beginning November 2 4-5 p.m.
The 4-H knitting group will be meeting at the upper room of the Choteau Library on Wednesdays. All levels are welcome. Contact Sally Heuscher or Cynthia Rice for more information.

Air Rifle/Air Pistol! November 2011-March 2012
Teton County 4-H leaders and members will work on the three basic shooting positions, shooting safety and other elements of precision shooting.

Beef Nutrition and Breed Selection! December 30, 2011 1 p.m.
Krista Briscoe will teach 4-H members about beef nutrition and beef breeds at the Weatherbeater building.

Easy Artisan Bread! January 10 at 4 p.m.
Denise Chalfon will teach 4-Hers at her home how to make easy artisan bread, as well as how to grind wheat for baking. Class is limited to the first 8 to register, but ask to be placed on a waiting list if class is full.

Post It! January 16, 2012 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Shelby (Beck) Strutz will share tips on making posters that she learned along the way preparing 4-H demonstrations that were ranked top in the state four years in a row. 4-H members will have the opportunity to create a post of their own. Class is limited to the first 10 to register, but ask to be placed on a waiting list if class is full.

Woodworking! January 12, 19, 26 & Feb 2 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Curly Anderson will teach 4-H members about woodworking and hand tools at his shop. 4-H members will be able to complete a bird house in these four sessions. Class is limited to the first 4 to register, but ask to be placed on a waiting list if class is full.

If interested in taking any classes, please email tetonext@3rivers.net or call 466-2491 to register.

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Super Simple Skirt! February 11, 2012 9:30 a.m.-afternoon

Marlene Konen will teach beginning sewers how to make a skirt. Members may need to supply a sewing machine, thread, scissors and yardage of fabric.

Cake Decorating! March, date TBA

Jenny Lee will work with 4-H members on cake decorating skills. Class size will be limited. If interested in this topic, please contact the Extension Office with ideas of what you would like to learn about cake decorating.

Angel Food Cakes! April 14, 2011

Terry Stephens will instruct 4-H members at her home on how to make an angel food cake from scratch, as well as a bit of science behind the structure of an angel food cake. Limited to first 8 to register, but ask to be placed on waiting list if the class is full.

Cowboy Action Shooting! March-September 2012

The Western Heritage Project will meet monthly to learn about the history of the Old West, clothing, firearms, shooting safety and outdoor enjoyment.

In Pieces! Spring, date TBA

Gerry Smith will instruct members in a beginning quilt project, possibly a Mother's Day Bag or potholder. Limited to the first 4 to register, but ask to be placed on waiting list if class is full.

Lap It Up! Spring, date TBA

Gerry Smith will teach intermediate sewers how to make a small lap quilt project. Limited to the first 4 to register, but ask to be placed on waiting list if class is full.

Livestock Quality Assurance! Spring, date TBA

Teton County Extension Mark Major covers the finer points of good stewardship for 4-H animals.

Tell a Story! Date TBA

Annie Zion will teach child development and storytelling skills. Please call the Extension Office if interested in this topic.

Making a Meal That Matters! Date TBA

Peggy Guthrie will teach 4-H members how to prepare a meal that they can be proud to serve to guests. 4-H members will eat together and learn the art of dinner conversation and a few tips on manners.

Rock Your Bones! Date TBA

Becca Hanna, paleontologist/yogini, will teach an interactive lesson on rocks and bones with a fitness component. Please call the Extension Office if interested in this topic.

Photography For All—Spring 2012

Master Photographer Dave Wedum will share tips and tricks in photography. Come and join us!

Automotive Mechanics 101—Spring 2012

Brad Asselstine will teach students how to perform a basic oil change on an automobile.

Sport Fishing—Spring 2012

Come and learn the basics of casting, lures, line, and leader! Instructors will focus on the basics and review this 4-H project for all who want to learn.

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Teton County 4-H 2011-2012 4-H Calendar_____

January

- 1 Citizenship Washington Focus applications due
Susan Duffner Scholarship applications due
- 6 Market Beef paperwork, assessment fee and photo due
- 10 Easy Artisan Bread with Denise Chalfon
Cloverkids-Cloverbud meeting
- 15 Exchange Club meeting
- 21 KMON Judging Contest
- 26 Horse (6 p.m.) and Livestock (7 p.m.) Committee meetings
-Teton County Sheriff's Office
- 12,19,26 Woodworking with Curly Anderson

February

- 1 People Partner Grant application due
- 2 Woodworking with Curly Anderson
- 9 4-H Council meeting in Fairfield
- 11 Super Simple Skirt

March

- 16-18 Rec Lab in Lewistown
- 31 Presentation Day in Choteau
- TBA Cake Decorating with Jenny Lee

April

- 28 Golden Triangle Preview Jackpot

June

- 18-23 Teton County 4-H Fair

July

- 10-13 State 4-H Congress
- 16-20 4-H Camp (tentative dates)

If you have dates for the calendar, please notify the Extension Office. This calendar provided as a guideline only. Deadlines will be printed on forms in the county newsletter and online. If you would like an agent to attend your club meeting, please call to schedule.



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Dates to Remember

- Jan. 2 Office Closed
- Jan. 6 Market Beef paperwork, assessment fee & photo due
- Jan. 10 Cloverkids meeting
Easy Artisan Bread
- Jan. 15 Exchange Club meeting
- Jan. 21 KMON Judging Contest
- Jan. 26 Horse & Livestock Committee meeting
- Jan. 12 Woodworking class begins
- Feb. 9 4-H Council meeting in Fairfield
- Feb. 11 Super Simple Skirts
- March 16-18 Rec Lab in Lewistown
- June 18-23 Teton County 4-H Fair
- July 16-20 Teton County 4-H Camp, exact dates
TBA



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KMON JUDGING CONTESTS

Livestock, Meats, Crops and Sales and Service
 January 20-21, 2012
 Fairgrounds, Great Falls

Cascade County
 Extension

CONTEST	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Sales and Service	Friday, January 20	Staggered	Cascade High School
Meats Identification	Saturday, January 21	7:30-8:10, Registration 8:10-Noon, Judging	Family Living Family Living, Fine Arts
Crops Judging	Saturday, January 21	7:30-8:00 Registration 8:00-11:00, Judging	Paddock Club
Livestock Judging	Saturday, January 21	11:00-Noon Registration 12:45-1:00, Instruction 1:00-3:45, Judging	Family Living Livestock Pavilion Livestock Pavilion
AWARDS	Saturday, January 21	4:30 or as soon as scores are tabulated	Livestock Pavilion (weather permitting)

If you do not remain for the awards ceremony, it will be your responsibility to contact KMON (761-7600) to make arrangements to receive the trophy or plaque.

LUNCH: A lunch with beverage will be available for \$4.00. Pay for lunch tickets with pre-registration. Additional tickets will be available on site at a cost of \$5.00 per lunch.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$3.00 per person per contest for sales and service, meats, livestock and crops contests. Additional tickets will be available on site at a cost of \$4.00 per contest. All registration and lunch ticket fees are due with your pre-registration. They may be transferred to a different person, but are not refundable.

MAKE CHECKS OR PURCHASE ORDERS PAYABLE TO:
 Fairfield FFA Alumni

PRE-REGISTRATION: By January 12 to:

CASCADE COUNTY EXTENSION
 3300 3rd Street NE, #9
 GREAT FALLS, MT 59404

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ADULTS: All teams must be accompanied by an adult who will be available to assist with a contest.

AG SALES AND SERVICE: See enclosed information and registration form.

MEATS CONTEST: The contest will include a written test consisting of multiple choice and true/false questions, identification of 30 retail ID cuts, wholesale, retail judging classes and yield/quality grade problems. Touching of the meat product in any part of the contest will result in disqualification. **This will be the State Contest for FFA and for 4-H.** 4-H teams must have 3-4 members each 14 or older by October 1, of 2012 to qualify as the state team and the trip to Western Regional Roundup in Denver (2013). Any questions may be directed to Randy Bogden (453-5612 or 788-3003 cell).

There will be a novice group that may judge with their parents or leaders. They will be scored but will not be considered for awards.

AWARDS:	Trophies	Top individuals 4-H and FFA
	Plaques	Top teams 4-H and FFA
	\$100.00	Top individual 4-H
	\$100.00	Top individual FFA

CROPS CONTEST: This year's contest will consist of a general knowledge test, plant and seed identification, soils, equipment and machinery, commodity marketability and usability, and pest management. Teams will consist of four individuals. Teams do not need to be designated; the top four scores from a chapter/club will make the team. Registration will open at 7:30. The contest will begin at 8:00.

AWARDS:	Trophies	Top individuals 4-H and FFA
	Plaques	Top teams 4-H and FFA
	\$100.00	Top individual 4-H
	\$100.00	Top individual FFA

LIVESTOCK CONTEST: The contest could include classes of beef, sheep, wool, swine and goat, two classes of reasons, possibly a keep/cull class and some livestock application problems (hands-on or practical problems involving livestock management, vet tools, feed and feed problems).

There will be a novice group that may judge with their parents or leaders. Their cards will be scored but will not be considered for awards.

Attention: Pavilion doors will be opened at 12:45. No one will be permitted in the arena prior to 12:45.

AWARDS:	Trophies	Top individuals 4-H and FFA
	Plaques	Top teams 4-H and FFA
	\$100.00	Top individual 4-H
	\$100.00	Top individual FFA

NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED IN JUDGING AREAS EXCEPT REGISTERED MEMBERS AND ASSISTANTS FOR ANY OF THE CONTESTS!

Remember, no one will be permitted in the livestock pavilion prior to 12:45!!

4-H

2012 KMON Judging Contest Registration

Everyone will register as individuals. (See exception on meats)

When scores are tabulated, the top 3 scores from your county (no senior/junior designation) will be combined to comprise the team score.

COUNTY _____ Adult Accompanying Group _____ Phone _____

LIVESTOCK (junior and senior welcome)	CROPS (junior and senior welcome) Teams will consist of four individuals. Teams do not need to be designated. The top four scores from a chapter/club will make the team.	MEATS (junior and senior welcome) List age beside member name and designate as a team in order to determine qualifying team for 2013 Denver Western Roundup *Put a star beside any member judging novice

RETURN REGISTRATION With Payment and Payment Form BY: Thursday, January 13

Make Checks or Purchase Orders Payable To: Fairfield FFA Alumni

TO: Cascade County Extension

3300 3rd Street NE #9

Great Falls, MT 59404

Phone 454-6980

Fax 454-6984

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Return with payment by Thursday, January 12, 2012
KMON JUDGING CONTEST PAYMENT FORM

Please complete the following registration and payment information and return to the Cascade County Extension Office.
PAYMENT OR PURCHASE ORDER MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION FORM.
Payment is transferrable but not refundable.

Name of FFA Chapter _____

Name of 4-H County _____

Advisor/Leader _____ Day Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

E-mail address of contact person _____

E-mail address of local paper for results to be sent to: _____

Number of participants in each contest: *Please check your figures!*

_____ registered for Ag Sales and Service @ \$3.00 per person Total \$ _____

_____ registered for Livestock Contest @ \$3.00 per person Total \$ _____

_____ registered for Crops Contest @ \$3.00 per person Total \$ _____

_____ registered for Meats Contest @ \$3.00 per person Total \$ _____

_____ Lunch Tickets @ \$4.00 per person Total \$ _____

Total Amount owed \$ _____

Make payable to Fairfield FFA Alumni

Adults who will assist with contests (list below):

Name	Contest	Phone
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

(Individual will need to pick up a clipboard at check in and act as a group leader for a contest)

BY: THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2012, MAIL TO:

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