

Toole County 4-H *Newsletter*

September 2016

Year-end Checklist

- Project and Record Books should be given to your organizational leader soon for completion. All books need to be reviewed by organizational leaders for completion and turned into the Extension office by September 9th.
- Nominations for awards are due at the office by September 9th.
- Secretary books are due to the office by September 9th.
- Nominations for Leader of the Year and Alumni of the Year are due to the office by September 9th.
- Treasurer records are due to the office by October 30. If you need help completing your treasurer report please let Alice know. As a treasurer you must submit the following:
 - 1. Your club's Treasurer book
 - 2. Copies of bank statements for October, 2015 to September, 2016
 - 3. Your club's check book
 - 4. Completed Year End Financial Summary Form

Reminder: Every club that submits 85 percent of their member's record books and the officer's books by the deadline receives a \$50 award from council.

Enrollment Information

Re-enrollment packets will be available to Organizational Leaders by October 1. You may start the re-enrollment process online after October 1. The Code of Conduct and Media Release will be forms that members can fill out and sign online this year. However, we will still need a signature on a paper form for the Medical Release Form. If you need assistance in enrolling contact the extension office.



!!!!! CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE !!!!!

We have gotten a little more computer savvy here at the Extension Office!

The Toole County Extension website is up and running again! Keep up to date on our upcoming events and have access to the latest newsletter and past newsletters!

Registration forms for events and fair will always be available

online, as well! Also, End of 4-H year nomination, Leader of the Year, Alumni of the Year, and Clover award forms are available on the website.

Please check our website out at <u>www.msuextension.org/toole</u> for more information! MSU Extension Toole County 226 1st Street South Shelby, MT 59474 (406) 424-8350 toole@montana.edu

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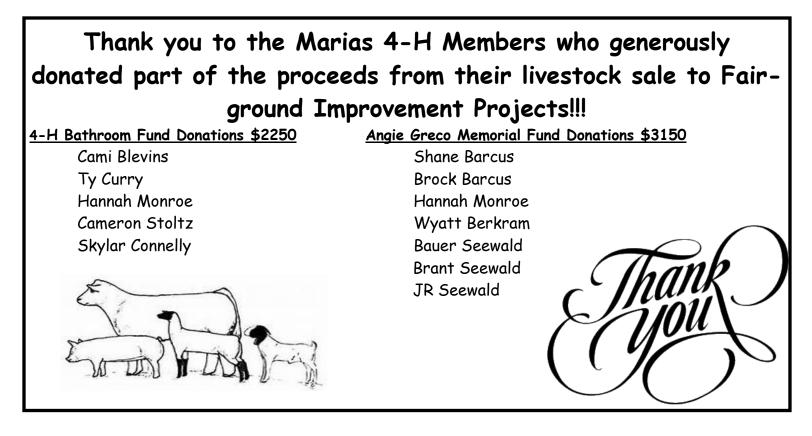


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Toole County 4-H Website: http://www.msuextension.org/ toole/4H.html



EXTENSION



4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training

The next Montana 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training will be held in Lewistown on September 30 – October 1, 2016. The deadline for registration is September 16, 2016. We will be offering the Archery, Rifle, Shotgun, Pistol, Muzzle-loading, and the Western Heritage disciplines if there is adequate interest. Please contact the Extension office for registration forms, agendas, and the pre-test. Please note that leaders must be trained before they can serve as 4-H Shooting Sports key leaders in a county program in addition to general 4-H leader application procedures. Assistants do not need training, but must work under a trained leader who is present and involved anytime shooting occurs.

IMPORTANT: This training is taking place concurrently with the Montana 4-H Leaders Forum in Lewistown. Please join us for the Leaders Forum Banquet on Saturday evening for an additional \$20.00 – see registration form for menu items. We are hoping that a combined event makes the event better and more convenient.

The registration fee is \$60 for adults and \$25 for teen leaders (teens may only assist a 4-H shooting sports program if under the direct supervision of a trained and certified 4-H shooting sports adult leader of the same shooting discipline).

*******Please present the registration form to you County Agent for a signature before mailing them in.******* Also bring your completed pre-test with you to the training.

The training will begin at 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday night and continue from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the following Saturday. Friday's lodging is on your own, but lunch is provided on Saturday as part of the registration. Educational materials are included with registration.

Complete information will be sent to registrants as the dates approach including meeting locations.

Thank you for informing your leaders of this opportunity.

Sincerely, Todd Kesner



Toole County Member Recognition Awards

(Forms available on Website)

	Clover	Emerald	Bronze	Silver	Gold
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Any 4-H club member is eligible to apply for these recognition awards. The applications and requirements were either mailed or emailed out to every family. Applications are due to the office by September 9. Members are recognized with a rosette. The Gold Level applicants will receive \$50.

Toole County Achievement Awards Selection Process

Members that accept a nomination for an award will be asked to submit an essay to the Extension Office. The essays will be provided to an Awards Selection Committee. The Committee will select the top awards for each project along with the top member for Toole County. Dates for submission and question for the essay will be available soon.

Attention Parents-Leaders-Members! Award Nominations Needed

Have you ever noticed a 4-H'er doing something awesome, and you wished that you could find a way to recognize that member? Well now is your chance! Look for the nomination forms for project areas, leadership, community service, and 4-H Excellence awards in a later email. 4-H members: If you feel like you've done a great job in on these categories you can nominate yourself.

All nominations are confidential. Award nominees will not know who nominated them but will receive a certificate of nomination. Award nominees are given an opportunity to accept or declined the nomination. All nominees that accept will be invited to submit an essay to the awards selection committee. Awards will be distributed at Club meetings in November.

There won't be any award winners without nominations so get your pens out and start nominating away! Nomination forms are due to the Extension office by September 9. If you have any questions about this process talk to any 4-H Council member or give Alice a call.



Members will receive awards at the November club meetings.

IF YOU NEEDS FORMS, THEY ARE AVAILABLE AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE.









Toole County Leader of the Year

Please nominate your choice for the "Leader of the Year" and return the nomination form to the Extension Office by September 9, 2016. The three leaders with the most votes will be placed on ballot for voting in October.

Toole County Alumni of the Year

Please nominate your choice for the "Alumni of the Year" and return the nomination form to the Extension Office by September 9, 2016. The three alumni with the most votes will be placed on ballot for voting in October.

Parents: 4-H Needs You!!

As we begin a new 4-H year, we want to remind you that decisions are made by those who regularly attend leader and committee meetings. We encourage you to attend these meetings to participate in this process.

If you are new to 4-H, the leader meetings are an important resource of knowledgeable people and information about various 4-H projects and programs. *So jump in and get your feet wet!* Our meetings are posted in the newsletter calendar - we'd love to have you join us! It's also a great way to meet others involved in similar projects to share information, too.

Committee descriptions are included in this newsletter on the next page.

Please submit the form below if you would like to join a 4-H Committee

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ould be willing to serve as a member	r of the
Livestock Committee	Marias Fair Shooting Sports Com
Food Booth Committee	Toole Co. Policy Committee
Ex. Building Committee	Toole Co. Leader's Council
Date:	
Phone	:
	build be willing to serve as a member

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY OCTOBER 31, 2016

Join a Toole County or Marias Fair Committee

Livestock Committee:

Organizes educational workshops, weigh-in, and shows at the Marias Fair.

Committee manages the livestock buildings at the Marias Fair. Work with Committee Extension advisors to determine the guidelines and procedures for respective events.

Horse Committee:

Organizes educational workshops and the Marias Fair Horse Show.

Committee manages the Horse Buildings and arenas at the Marias Fair. Work with Committee Extension advisor to determine the guidelines and procedures for respective events. Reviews educational materials, suggests up-dates, where needed, of record keeping materials, and provides an opportunity for suggestions to be made to the state level on project and state event rules and opportunities.

Dog/Agricultural/Small Animal Committee:

Organizes educational workshops and the small animals shows at the Marias Fair. Manages the small animal barns. Work with Committee Extension advisor to determine the guidelines and procedures for respective events.

Shooting Sports Committee:

Organizes fair shoots for the different shooting disciplines.

Work with Committee Extension advisor to determine the guidelines and procedures for respective events. Reviews educational materials, suggests up-dates, where needed, of record keeping materials, and provides a opportunity for suggestions to be made to the state level on project and state event rules and opportunities.

Fashion Review Committee:

Organizes educational workshops and the Marias Fair Fashion Review. Work with Committee Extension advisor to determine the guidelines and procedures for respective events.

Public Speaking Committee:

Organizes the Marias Fair Public Speaking Contest. Work with Committee Extension advisor to determine the guidelines and procedures for respective events.

Food Booth/Building Committee:

Manages the Marias Fair Food Booth and organizes trainings for food booth volunteers. Work with Committee Extension Advisor to determine guidelines and policies for the Food Booth.

Exhibit Building Committee:

Manages and maintains the Exhibit Building and its contents, including setup for Fair interviews, setting up the top exhibit display area and cleaning up the building at the end of Fair.

Toole County Leader's Council:

Promotes the county 4-H program and advises program development. Provides a communication link between the county Extension office and 4-H clubs. Develops and encourages leadership, decision-making, communication and teamwork in both youth and adults. In partnership with the 4-H Agent develops county 4-H Policy.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Congrats to the Toole County 4-Hers that placed and received cash prizes in the Marias Fair carcass contests:

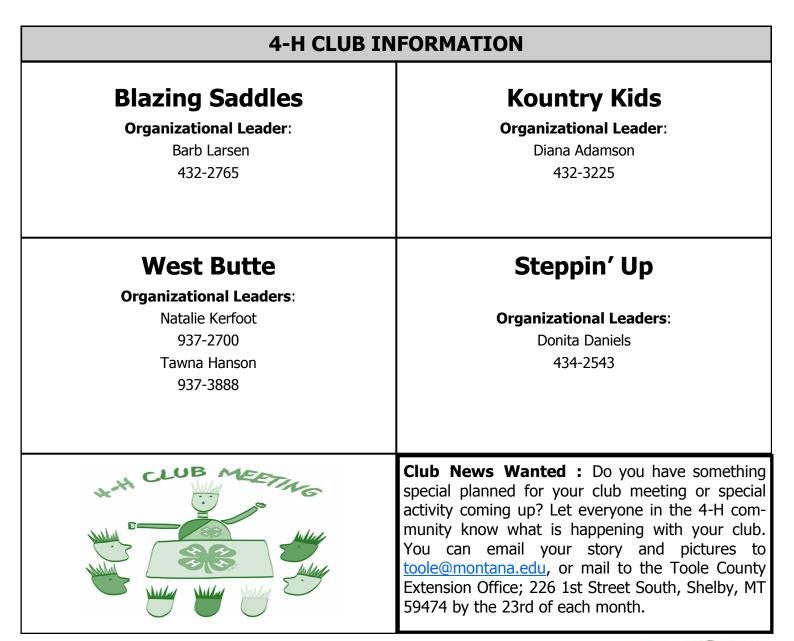
Swine of Excellence: Karra Lohr (1st)



MONTANA 4-H LEADER'S FORUM Sept. 30 - Oct. 2 In Lewistown, MT



With fair fresh on everyone's mind, get a head start on your county's livestock program for next year. Join us for the 2016 Montana 4-H Leadership Forum in Lewistown, Sept. 30- Oct. 2. You will have the opportunity to participate in amazing workshops covering topics such as livestock judging, animal nutrition, and conducting 4-H livestock sales. Learn from professionals like Marc King, and help your 4-Hers select and raise the best livestock project they can! For more information, please visit our website <u>http://montana4h.org/#program:24</u> Early Bird Registration Rates are now available, until August 31.



Upcoming Programs & Meetings:

September 5 September 9 September 19 September 26 Sept. 30-Oct.2 Sept. 30-Oct.2 October 26 Office closed for Labor Day

- Record Books and Award applications due to the office
- Council Meeting 6:30 pm at Extension Office
 - Food Booth Meeting 7 pm at the Food Booth
 - 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training in Lewistown
 - 4-H Leader's Forum in Lewistown
 - Livestock Committee Meeting



