MSU Extension/Wheatland Co. 4-H *News*

Winter 2017

Are you interested in **archery**?
Join us on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 5:30pm at the basement conference room at the Wheatland County Courthouse (201 A Ave NW) for an informational meeting with Mike Peterson on the new 4-H Archery Club. Parents of interested youth are required to attend this meeting along with the youth.

WCYF

Wheatland County Youth Fair will have its beef weigh-in on January 6. If you are going to enter into the market beef class at the Fair, you must have your beef selected, in possession, tagged and weighed by that date.

The Open Class Quilt Department at Big Sky Country State Fair in Bozeman will present **"56 County Quilts"** at the 2018 Fair, held July 18-22 in Bozeman, MT. We were asked to bring one quilt to represent our county. These 56 quilts from around Montana will hang all week in one of the exhibit buildings at the Big Sky Country State Fair and compete for prizes, the People's Choice award, and the best of show quilt. Heritage quilts and newly made quilts are eligible. Please contact Mandie if you are interested in this event.

Remember to watch our Facebook page and website for up-to-date schedules and notices.

This is your last newsletter if you have not re-enrolled for the 2018 4-H Year.
Don't delay-forms are available at the extension office or go online to https://mt.4honline.com.
If you chose to enroll online please do not set up another contact/family.
All re-enrolling 4-Hers already have an online family account.
Contact the Extension office for assistance.
Check out the 4-H Online help documents available at www.montana4h.org/resources

Registration for 2018 Rec Lab "The Magic of 4-H", located in Thompson Falls March 23-25, will open on December 15th on 4H Online. If you need assistance registering for this event please contact our office.

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Club Meetings

Lucky Leprechauns Meeting	Contact Carla Glennie Hillcrest Elementary Library
Silver Sage Meeting 1st Thursday of each month 7:30 am	Contact Mandie Reed Extension Conference Room Basement of the Wheatland County Courthouse
Shooting Sports-Air Rifle	Contact Leon Hammond Tuesdays at the New Fire Hall 6:30pm
Shooting Sports-Archery	Contact Mike Peterson Starting Soon
Cloverbuds	Contact Bethany Cooney Please see Wheatland County 4H Cloverbuds Facebook Page

Interested in applying for a State 4-H Project Award?
Plan now, it can take years to get ready.
Go to http://www.montana4h.org/programs/awards/state-awards.html for application, application tips and sample evaluation sheets.
Contact Mandie for assistance.

Events and Happenings

Dec 27-28	Youth Leadership Retreat
Jan 6	WCYF Beef Weigh In
Jan 8	Archery informational meeting
Jan 25-28	Montana Winter Fair Lewistown
Mar 23-25	MT 4-H Rec Lab—The Magic of 4-H Thompson Falls
Apr 7-12	National 4-H Conference
June 5-8	4-H Camp
June 10-16	Citizen Washington Focus (CWF) Applications Due 1/15/18
July 16-20	Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) Application Due 1/15/18
July 31-Aug 2	National 4-H Western Heritage Conference Deer Lodge, MT

Contact Mandie or Kathie for registration deadlines or details on any of these events

Applications for Citizenship Washington Focus and Leadership Washington Focus are due January 15, 2018. If you need assistance or more information, please contact Mandie

Focus on 4-H Projects

MT 4-H Western Heritage Project (Western Action Shooting)-This project includes 4-H Western Action Shooting and more. Members will learn the history of 19th century firearms, period correct frontier clothing, hats, boots, holsters and the true lifestyles of those who lived in the Old West from many diverse walks of life. Some members may be interested in becoming Old West re-enactors while others might focus mainly on the shooting aspects of the project—or both. Firearm safety and responsible behavior is stressed throughout the project.
Check out http://www.4-hwesternheritageproject.org/ for more information. The 2018 National 4-H Western Heritage Conference and Invitational shoot will be held July 31-Aug 2, 2018 in Deer Lodge, Montana!

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