

September 2009

Dear 4-H Members, Leaders and Parents,

Patti and I want to thank all of you for the hard work and support you give to the 4-H Program and the Wibaux County Fair. It's the tremendous community support that makes the fair a success and it wouldn't happen without all of you.

Just as a reminder, we do encourage all 4-H members to send a thank you to everyone who helped them throughout the fair. If they purchased an animal, donated an award, or provided assistance in any way, a thank you note is a nice way to let them know how much it was appreciated.

In this newsletter you will find information on the State 4-H Leader's Forum, NILE, National 4-H Week, State 4-H Horse Show, and more.

Thanks again for all that you do.

Sincerely,

David L. Bertelsen
County Extension Agent

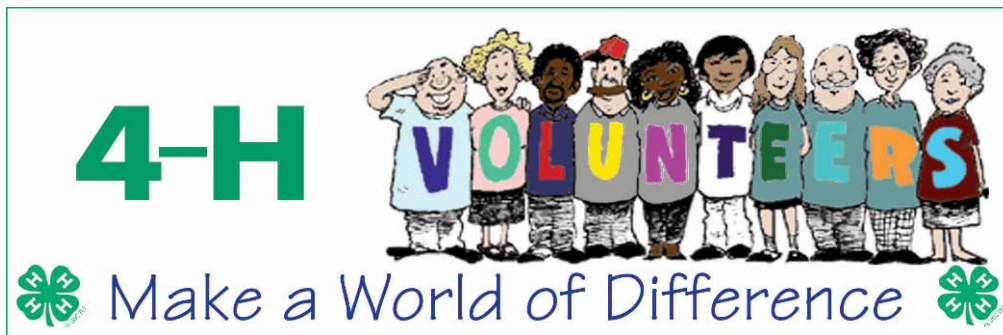
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2009 STATE 4-H LEADERSHIP FORUM
September 25-26, 2009

With the theme of “Harvest Your Leadership Potential”, the 2009 State 4-H Leader’s Forum will be held in Sidney on September 25th and 26th.

Having the State Leader’s Forum in Sidney provides an excellent opportunity for leaders from Wibaux County to participate in a fun, educational, and motivational 4-H event. Registration forms and additional information are available at the Extension Office.

The Wibaux County 4-H Council will help cover expenses for those attending.



Montana State 4-H Horse Show
October 2-4, 2009

With the theme of “Stirrup Some Fun”, the State 4-H Horse Show will be held at the Fergus County Fairgrounds in Lewistown, MT October 2-4. If interested in attending, please contact the Extension Office for registration forms and additional information. Entries need to be postmarked by September 11, 2009. No late entries will be accepted after September 18th. The Wibaux County 4-H Council will help cover expenses for those attending.



NILE LIVESTOCK EVALUATION CONTEST

October 13, 2009

The NILE 4-H and FFA Livestock Judging Contest has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 13th, in Billings, Montana. Counties are eligible to take both a junior and senior livestock judging team. Four-H members interested in participating in the NILE judging contest should contact the Wibaux County Extension Office by *September 25th*. This is an excellent opportunity for younger 4-H members to get some contest experience. Entries must be received in the NILE Office by October 1st.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

October 4-10, 2009

With the theme of “Meet the Future”, National 4-H Week will be celebrated October 4-10.

Ever wonder what the future will look like? Just take a look at your local 4-H today. It’s where young people explore, learn, and discover in a safe environment. In 4-H, kids find their true passions, gain confidence, and give back to the community. Celebrate 4-H efforts in helping today’s kids become tomorrow’s leaders.

During National 4-H Week, we do ask all 4-H clubs and members to make a special effort to promote 4-H. Window displays, newspaper ads, radio ads, and personal contact are all excellent ways to promote 4-H. We always need new members, parents, and leaders. Your help in making this happen is certainly appreciated.

Information regarding National 4-H Week can be found at:
<http://4-h.org/d/Pages/Layouts/brandnetwork.html>.



2009 “Make It Yourself With Wool” Contest

The 2009 “Make It Yourself With Wool” District 6 Contest will be held in Circle, MT on ***Sunday, October 25th***. Entries are due October 11th. McCone, Prairie, Dawson, Wibaux, Garfield and Richland Counties are included in this district.

The contest is open to entries in five categories: Preteen, 12 and under; Junior, 13-16; Senior, 17-24; Adult, 25 and up; and Made for Others. The garments must be constructed from wool fabric consisting of a minimum of 60% wool or it can be knitted, crocheted, or woven. A garment must have been completed after January 1, 2009. The junior, senior and adult winner will go on to compete in the state contest held in Billings on December 4-5, 2009.

Prizes are awarded to all contestants at the district level. For more information, contact the District 6 Director, Darlene Moline, Box 96, Brockway, MT 59214, or phone 406-485-2276. Entry forms are available at the Wibaux County Extension Office.

ANNUAL SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORTS DUE

AT END OF 4-H YEAR

As stated in the MSU Extension Montana 4-H Program Policy and Procedures Manual:

*All 4-H clubs, committees, councils, board and groups are required to complete the Annual Summary Financial Report. The Annual Summary Financial Report and supporting documents are due to the MSU County Extension office by **September 30th** of each year. The Montana 4-H Youth Program is part of Montana State University Extension, which is, as its name suggests, part of Montana State University. The Annual Summary Financial Report is how MSU Extension-related 4-H clubs help the university fulfill its obligation of fiscal accountability to the residents of Montana. Additionally, these records must be available for public inspection as per IRS regulation.*

Also, please include the club’s Federal ID or EIN number.