



Broadwater County 4-H News



December 2016

Lost 'n' Found

There was a pink and black jacket left at the All County Meeting in the 4-H Building. If you are missing one, we have it at the Extension Office.

4-H Scholarship

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. With the new 4-H year starting, this is a good time to remember that if you are planning on applying for the county scholarship as a senior you are required to complete at least two projects a year for all four years to qualify. You have until May 1st to add or drop projects.

Annual Christmas Tree Fundraiser



The Christmas Tree hunt for the annual county 4-H fundraiser is on **Saturday, December 3rd**. Please meet at **8:00 AM** in Winston at the **Big Bull Grill** (6477 US Hwy 287). Each family is asked to participate. Parents with chainsaws are often needed as well as trailers. Check with your club leader to see what to bring. Trees will

be sold at Rocky Mountain Supply this year (instead of the hardware store) for \$20. The proceeds from the Christmas Tree sales benefit the entire county 4-H program including project work, awards and activities. Promote this to your friends and family!

Beef Weigh-in and Tagging

All market beef animals are required to participate in the weigh-in and tagging. If you cannot personally attend, then you must arrange for family, friends or a neighbor to bring your animal. Please be at Galor Genetics (8393 Hwy 287) on Saturday, **December 31st at 9:00 AM.**

4-H Camp Counselors

Camp counselor selection is being made in early December and applicants will be notified as soon as possible. It is highly recommended that you attend a regional camp counselor training in Helena on Wednesday, **December 28th** in Helena. It takes place **from 1:00-5:00 pm** at the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building at the Fairgrounds. This is also a great leadership training for any teen and anyone is welcomed to attend! Please **RSVP** to the Extension Office by **December 21st** if you plan to attend.

Livestock Committee

The next meeting is Tuesday, **December 6th at 7:00 pm** in the Ambulance Meeting Room. If you have any questions contact the office or Chairman, Jason Noyes at 266-5115. Anyone interested in joining the committee is welcomed! The committee meets regularly on the first Tuesday of even months.

Happy Holidays! It is the season of giving and its exciting hear about the community service activities happening this time of year. The opportunity to value and practice service to others is one of the eight essential elements of 4-H Youth Development and is a critical part of our program. Service is a great way to gain exposure to the larger community and even the world. You make our community a better place by giving back!

On a personal note, I go on maternity leave this month. However, in my absence, please don't hesitate to contact Tammy in the office if you have questions or need help with anything!

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Countywide 4-H Activities

Old Baldy 4-H Club

If you belong to the Old Baldy Club they are having a fun day on Sunday, **December 11th at 2:00 PM** at the Sleeping Giant Lanes in Helena. The Club will be paying for your bowling and there is a generous donor buying pizza. If you have questions you can call Denise Thompson at 949-1118 or Laura Ascheman at 980-0408.

Teen Club

The club will be meeting on Monday, **December 19th at 6:30 PM** in the Ambulance Meeting Room. Anyone who is 13 years or older is welcome to come and check it out. We will be volunteering for the Christmas Connection on Saturday, **December 17th at the Townsend Fire Hall at 9:00 AM** by organizing baskets for those in need. We are also starting Cloverbud activities in conjunction with regular club meetings beginning in December and continuing until June or July. Contact Samantha Rauser at 949-0869 or Julie Mikula at 459-5113 if you any questions.

4-H Council

The council will meet on Tuesday, **January 24th in the Ambulance Meeting Room at 7:00 pm**. We have been having great turnout and continue to invite anyone who has an interest in providing input in the direction of the county 4-H program. Contact President Karen Noyes at 266-5115 or the Extension Office with any questions.

Indoor Committee

The committee is meeting again on Tuesday, **January 24th at 6:00 pm** in the Ambulance Meeting Room. Contact Karen Noyes at 266-5115 or Terri Howey at 285-3489 if you have any questions.

County Contest Extravaganza

Save the date for Sunday, **March 19th starting at 2:00 pm** for our county contest day! County contests include Communications, Hooked-on-Cooking, Stir-ups, Fashion Revue and Quilting. We will have more information in upcoming newsletters explaining the different contests,

contest details and how to get involved. A challenge has been issued to see what club can get the most participation!

4-H Indoor Project Activities

Scrapbooking

There will be a Scrapbooking Workshop on Thursdays, **January 26th and March 16th at 6:30** at Alisha Knaub's, 23 Sullivan Ridge Way. Please RSVP with Karen Noyes at 266-5115 if you are going to attend.

Quilting

There will be a Quilting Workshop on Saturday, **January 28th from 12:00-4:00 PM** in the Ambulance meeting room. Contact Vanessa Rauser if you have any questions at 451-9569.



Knitting

There will be a workshop for all knitters on Mondays, **December 5th & 12th at 3:45 pm** in the library. Call Kari Hagbom at 202-5733 with any questions.

Sewing

Here are some sewing workshops dates to put on your calendar: Saturdays, **January 14th, February 11th, and March 11th at the LDS Church from 9:30-11:30 am**. Parents are asked to stay and assist if at all possible. Please contact Sarah Holland at 266-3473 with any questions.

Shooting Sports

- **Rifle-** We have a 4-H parent getting trained as an instructor in .22 rifle. Check back for more details on when this project will be meeting!
- **Archery-** Practice is on Mondays, **December 5th, 12th and 19th at the 4-H Building from 6-8 pm**. Please contact Jason Noyes at 266-5115 with questions.

The 1st Annual Young Archer Essay Contest to benefit St. Jude Children Research Hospital is open to all kids 8-18. All proceeds from the \$5 entry fee go directly to St. Jude's. It is a fun way to share your archery experiences. Top stories will make the Young Archer Magazine and will be eligible for \$6000 worth of prizes. Top prize is a Four Day archery Hunt in Illinois. The deadline to submit your essay is **December 20th**. Here is a link to the contest if you are interested <http://www.theyoungarcher.com/essaycontest/>.

4-H Animal Project Activities

Swine

There will be two swine workshops in January at the Fairgrounds in the 4-H Building.

1. Thursday, **January 12th at 6:30 pm**- Get started on the right foot at this workshop. We will discuss goals, record books, project books, and what it takes to have a successful swine project.
2. Thursday, **January 26th at 6:30 pm**- This workshop will focus on being prepared for the pig's arrival. We will discuss housing, other facility needs and what you need to have ready to bring a pig home. We will also discuss planning ahead for weighing, loading and washing.



Hugh Braaten is also looking for a couple of junior leaders for the Market Hog project. If you are interested please contact Hugh at 439-8873.

Rabbit

Tentatively, there will be a rabbit workshop on Saturday, **February 18th at 3:00 PM** in the Ag Ed Classroom at the High School. Watch next month's newsletter for more information. If you have any questions, you can call Jemma Morrow at 314-3403.



Horse

Horse Workshops will be starting in February. Save the dates for Mondays, **February 13th and 20th at 6:30 pm** in the Ambulance Meeting Room. For more information contact Donna Richards at 266-4515 or Jan Finn at 266-4992.

Statewide 4-H Opportunities

Montana 4-H Legislative Breakfast

Start making plans to attend the 4-H Legislative Breakfast on Tuesday, **January 17 at 6:30 am** at the Radisson Colonial Hotel in Helena. There is also a dinner orientation on **January 16th at 6:30 pm**. The Legislative Breakfast is an opportunity for 4-H members to visit with state legislators about the benefits of 4-H and encourage them to support legislation affecting the program. *4-H members of all ages are welcomed to attend and it's important for our county to send a delegation.* Samantha Rauser is our county coordinator. Contact her at 949-0869 if you are interested in participating. We will also have more information in the next newsletter.

People Partner Grants

These grants, provided by the Montana 4-H Foundation, provide incentives and financial support to 4-H groups and individuals for programs that enhance the quality of living for people in their communities. Applications should meet the following criteria:

- Youth should be involved in determining, planning, conducting and evaluating the project.
- Project will make it possible for people to accomplish something educational and worthwhile that helps them reach a higher quality of life.
- There is community support and acceptance of the project, as evidenced by "partners" listed in the grant application, additional funding sources, and resource persons and agencies involved.
- The project has lasting benefits.

Applications can be found on the State 4-H website: <http://montana4h.org/#program:31> and must be postmarked by **February 1st**. Applications submitted by **January 10th** will be

reviewed and returned with suggestions for improvement to the application in order to resubmit.

Chouteau County Archery Shoot

The Chouteau County Archery Shoot will take place in Fort Benton on Saturday, **February 18th** at the Community Bible Recreation Center, 911 16th Street. Watch for more information at a later date.

Livestock Judging Contest

Ken Laubach Memorial Livestock Judging Contest will be held at the Laubach Red Angus Ranch in Big Timber on Saturday, **December 10th**. Register by Friday December 2nd. If you are interested you can get the registration form from the Extension Office.

Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar

Citizenship Seminar is held every two years during the legislative session. It is designed as a citizenship-in-action event to educate youth on the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. It's undergone a few changes this year. It's now being held on **January 15-17** (Sunday-Tuesday) in conjunction with the 4-H Legislative Breakfast. Participants must be at least 14 years old (as of October 1) and never attended in the past. Each county can send up to two delegates (or more as space permits). The cost is \$80 and registration materials are **due December 1st**. Delegates must submit a mock legislative bill as part of the registration process. Please contact the Extension Office if you are interested or for more information.

Montana 4-H Rec Lab - Workshop Proposals

Save the Date for **March 31st - April 2nd** for Rec Lab in Miles City. Rec Lab is a statewide leadership event for members who are 13 years or older. It is action packed with lots of activities to build leadership, communication and team building skills. This theme this year is "It's a Jungle Out There!" If you are interested in submitting a workshop proposal, they are **due December 15th** and the form is available from the Extension Office. Registration information to follow or contact the Extension Office.

Montana 4-H Horse & Livestock Leaders Forum

Flathead County 4-H is hosting the Montana 4-H Horse & Livestock Leaders Forum on **March 24-26** in Kalispell. This event is held every few years and focuses on adult and teen leadership in the horse and livestock projects. Stay tuned for more information!

KMON Contest - Livestock & Meats Judging

The KMON 4-H and FFA Contest will be held in Great Falls on **January 20-21st** during the week of the MAGIE. 4-H'ers across the state are invited to compete in the Agronomy, Livestock Judging and Meats ID contests. A great incentive added this year is a \$150 scholarship for the top placing 4-H member in each of the three contests. Registration is due **January 13th** without a late fee. For more information contact the Extension Office or Hugh Braaten.

National & International 4-H Opportunities

4-H International Travel Program

If you love to travel, there are a variety of international opportunities available through 4-H. You can travel to Japan, Costa Rica, South Korea or Finland for one month during the **summer of 2017**. It is open to any 4-H members ages 14-19 (not in college). Costs range from \$2,500-4,000 depending on location and airfare. Applications are **due December 1** and are available at www.montana4h.org or from the Extension Office.

Leadership Washington Focus

This event is geared towards middle school students in grades 7-9. Youth will travel to Washington DC and stay in the National 4-H Center on **July 16-21, 2017** to see leadership and citizenship in action. The cost is approximately \$1,600 per person. Applications are **due January 15**. Information available at www.montana4h.org.

Western Regional 4-H Leaders Forum

Adults and teens are invited to participate in Western Regional 4-H Leaders Forum on **March 16-18** in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. This is a great opportunity to network with other leaders from

the Western U.S. and Canada and gain new ideas to bring back to the state and county. Watch for more information soon!

The cost is approximately \$1,600 (one scholarship available) and applications are due **January 15th**. Information available at www.montana4h.org.

Citizenship Washington Focus

This event is for members ages 14-19 who get to travel to Washington DC and stay in the National 4-H Center on **June 10-17, 2017** to get an up close look at citizenship in action and the national legislative process.



Global 4-H Network Summit

Join the momentum in Ottawa Canada on **July 11-14th**. The 2017 Global 4-H Network Summit is an unbelievably awesome action packed, inspiration filled summit for 4-H youth, volunteers, and professionals. If you are interested contact the Extension Office for more information



January 2017

1 st	New Years
2 nd	Office Closed
9 th	Archery practice 6-8 PM at Fairgrounds
12 th	Swine Workshop 6:30 at Fairgrounds
14 th	Quilting Workshop 12-4 PM – Ambulance Meeting Room
14 th	Sewing Workshop LDS Church 9:30-11:30
15-17 th	Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar, Helena
16 th	Archery practice 6-8 PM at Fairgrounds
20-21	KMON Contest, Great Falls
23 rd	Archery practice 6-8 PM at Fairgrounds
26 th	Scrapbooking Workshop 6:30 PM at Knaubs Swine Workshop 6:30 at Fairgrounds
28 th	Quilting Workshop 12-4 PM Ambulance Meeting Room
30 th	Archery practice 6-8 PM at Fairgrounds Teen Council 7 PM- Ambulance Meeting Room
31 st	Council 7 PM- Ambulance Meeting Room

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6 th	Archery Practice 6-8 PM- Fairgrounds
7 th	Livestock Council 7 PM Ambulance Meeting Room
11 th	Sewing Workshop 9:30-11:30 AM – LDS Church
13 th	Archery Practice 6-8 PM Fairgrounds Horse 6:30 PM – Ambulance Meeting Room
18 th	Rabbit Workshop- AG Ed room 3:00 PM TENTATIVELY
20 th	Horse 6:30 PM – Ambulance Meeting Room
27 th	Archery Practice 6-8 PM – Fairgrounds Teen Council 7 PM- Ambulance Meeting Room
28 th	Council 7 PM – Ambulance Meeting Room

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