



# Powder River County Footnotes 4-H News

## February 2017

**Internet Safety & Our Children**  
**Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**High School Auditorium**



### Topics Include:

Social Media Sites- the Do's & Don'ts  
Facebook - Their Rules & Community Standards  
Sexting - What is it? What are the consequences?  
Internet & Cell Phone Laws  
Protecting Your Children

Presenter **Mark Reddick**, from the Miles City Police Department, has 25 years in law enforcement and has served on the Montana Internet Crimes against Children Task Force for 4 years. He is currently assigned to assist law enforcement in eastern Montana.

### Dues were Due

The deadline for clubs to turn their dues into the 4-H Council was **January 15<sup>th</sup>**. If your club hasn't already done so, please pay your dues as soon as possible. Dues to the 4-H Council are \$6.00 per leader and \$1.00 per member.

### Daily Gain Award

**Sponsored by: John and Jennie Olson**  
**(Lazy J Bar O Fencing and Olson Spraying)**

This award will go to three animal classes: market lamb, swine and beef. Two places in each class shall be paid. 1<sup>st</sup> place will receive \$100 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place will receive \$50. The Sponsors reserve the right to award more, if fewer than the required number of animals enter into this competition. The contest is optional.

To receive this award, a member of either FFA or 4-H must be in good standing with their club or chapter. Contestants will weigh their animals on the specified start date for each animal to have a beginning weight. Each contestant is allowed up to one alternative animal in each class that must be weighed at the

## Calendar

### January

30 Internet Safety & Our Children, 6:00

### February

1 People Partner Grants Due  
4 Weigh-in Market Steers for Rate of Gain Contest  
8 Youth Issues Meeting, 8:30 am  
28 Teen 4-H Meeting, Noon

### March

15 Teen Counselor Applications due for Camp Needmore  
31-April 2 4-H Rec Lab, Miles City

### April

1 Montana 4-H Scholarships Due  
10 4-H Council Meeting, 5:00  
23 4-H Speaks Out & Shows the Way— Demo Day

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same time as the primary animal. The contestant will provide a dated picture of the initial weigh-in that a 4-H leader or advisor must sign off on to attest that the animal was weighed and that these animals are in fact the animals that members wish to enter. Final weigh-in will be the official weigh-in at the fair.

John and Jennie are sponsoring this award to increase the exhibitor's knowledge of the feeding side of animal stewardship.

**Start dates for the Daily Gain contest - Market Beef - February 4<sup>th</sup>.** Questions regarding the contest can be directed to John or Jennie Olson at 406-853-6448.

### **4-H Rec Lab - "It's a Jungle Out There!" Miles City, March 31<sup>st</sup>-April 2nd**

A weekend of fun, excitement, energy and friendship await the participants at 4-H Rec Lab. This experience is for youth ages 13 and older as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. The event provides an opportunity for youth and adults to enhance their leadership, communication and team building skills in an action packed and interactive setting. Registration is \$100, and should be completed by March 25<sup>th</sup>. The registration includes lodging, snacks, meals, t-shirts, workshop fees and speaker fees. Participants have 30 workshops to choose from - what a selection! For more details, go to the Montana 4-H website and click on Rec-Lab, or, contact the Extension Office. **4-H Council will assist 4-H members who plan to attend by paying all but \$25.00 of the registration fee.**



### **People Partner Grants**

Note the fast approaching due date (February 1<sup>st</sup>) for People Partner Grants. If you have a special project in your community, these grants can be very helpful. The purpose of the program is to provide incentives and financial support to programs that will enhance the quality of living for people in a community. Contact the office (quickly) if you need more information. For forms go to [www.montana4h.org](http://www.montana4h.org).

### **"Tip Your Hat to 4-H" - 2017 Powder River County Fair Theme**

Thank you to all the members and clubs that submitted Fair themes and nominees for the Fairbook dedication. The theme **"Tip Your Hat to 4-H"**, submitted by the Tongue River Crossroads, was selected. Clubs have done an amazing job these last few years planning and displaying theme booths at the Fair - your creativity is impressive and the extra effort to participate enhances the Fair. Thank you!

### **Some other notes from the Fairboard...**

- \* How did you like the awards this year - buckle, jackets, 4-H chairs, backpacks, buckets, etc - anything you would like added next year?
- \* Please tag all market livestock before the weigh-in.
- \* What do you think about show attire standards? Should black and white be required? (In order to share black & white show clothes, Christine Appleman will have a box at home of used show-clothes. Anyone who wants to add to the box or try on clothes from the box, please contact Christine at 427-5829. Before the 2017 Fair, the box will be kept at the Extension Office for a couple weeks for easier sharing.

### **Apply to be a 4-H Camp Needmore Teen Counselor!**

Applications are available at the Extension office and due **March 15<sup>th</sup>** at the Prairie County Extension Office for anyone interested in serving as a teen counselor at 4-H Camp Needmore in Ekalaka June 12<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>. You must have been 14 as of October 1, 2016 to apply, and not all who apply will be selected. Being a counselor is a wonderful leadership experience...don't let it pass!

### **4-H Speaks Out and Shows the Way-- Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**

County Demonstrations have been set for Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. It is never too early to begin planning for

the event. If you need ideas or guides on giving demonstrations or speeches, contact our office. We have videos and publications to help you.

Registration forms are included in this newsletter and are due back to the Extension Office by April 10<sup>th</sup>. Remember, in order to be considered for the Achievement of Excellence Award (AEA) at the end of the 4-H year, you must have given a county demonstration, a cowboy poetry entry, speech or creative works. If you are unable to participate in the County Contest on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, you may fulfill the AEA requirement by giving your presentation to the 4-H Council.

### “Zootopia” - 4-H Mini-Congress

The 23<sup>rd</sup> annual 4-H Mini-Congress attracted an active, thirty-five participants for the afternoon and evening event. “4-H’ers Working Together” to have an exciting event during the winter break resulted in an interesting and fun annual 4-H Mini-Congress attracting thirty-four youth and nine teens. The Teen 4-H members pull the event together, bringing enthusiasm, creativity and fun to the annual event. Teens who provided workshops included Basketball – Callie Williams and Maclain Cathey; Dance – Miranda Minow and Liam McEuen; Foods – Lindsey Riley and Sage Collins; Card and Board Games – Lucas Riley; Art – Jerrica Gotfredson and Science – Karena Appleman.

In the art project, participants created fox and rabbit masks, fitting into the Zootopia theme. The Science projects consisted of producing magnetic gak and marshmallow shooters.

In addition to the workshops, the event included a dance, pizza supper, games, and concluded with the movie “Zootopia”.

Participants included Shyann Allen, Clark Appleman, Grayson Arithson, Noah Dudek, Archer Edwards, Emory Gatlin, Ezra, Maxine and Whitney Gotfredson, Zadeea Graham, Chalee Harms, Alix Heacock, Corbin, Kail and Sophie Irish, Reuban Kinzer, Corey Knobloch, Hylee Layne, Jada MacBlane, Kayleigh Opstedahl, Emillie Overlease, Zoe Page, Payton Rumph, Oliveah and Zeason Schaffer, Jayce and Rheanna Schroeder,

Kaydin Trent, Terryn Yonkee, Cooper and Madelyn Zimmer, Colleena McEuen and Taylor and Tytan Hanson.

### 4-H Scholarships Available – Deadlines are April 1<sup>st</sup>!

Check out all the scholarships available on the Montana 4-H website. There are at least a dozen scholarships available, some are specific to an area of interest, but others are open to all Montana 4-Hers. Check out [www.montana4h.org](http://www.montana4h.org).

### Youth Serve Montana Scholarships - \$1,000

The Youth Serve Montana Scholarship was created to promote volunteerism among high school students, to encourage young leaders to further their learning, and to provide tuition assistance for Montana students who wish to attend college in state.

**Applications are due April 15<sup>th</sup>.** The application can be found online at [www.serve.mt.gov](http://www.serve.mt.gov). It is for students who attend a Montana College or University and who have **100 hours** of volunteer service in the past year.

