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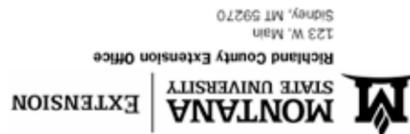
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Please Read

The fair is fast approaching and we ask that you carefully read everything in this news letter pertaining to schedules and deadlines. Some adjustments had to be made because of changes to different activities. Make sure to read about every activity you are involved in and if you have any questions please call the Extension Office

Interview Judging Schedule

Below is the interview judging schedule for this years fair. Members need to be present with their projects entering through the East End (back of building) of the 4-H Exhibit Building. The vehicles will need to be parked near the canal during judging to free up the midway for vendors. More information regarding what to expect during the interview refer to page three.

Tuesday, July 29th

9:00 am Brorson / Valley View Wranglers
10:00 am Richland Rockets / Forever Buds
11:00 am Badlands / Lambert Hi-Liters / Yellowstone Valley
12:00 pm Missouri River Ranchers / Three Buttes
1:00 - 1:15 Time allotted for those who cannot make their scheduled time

Jr. Trip Sign Up

This years Jr. Trip is gearing up to be a fun time. It is scheduled for August 12 and 13. Jr. members will be going to Minot. Kids are asked to bring a sack lunch and \$20 to help with expenses. A tentative schedule of the trip is set:

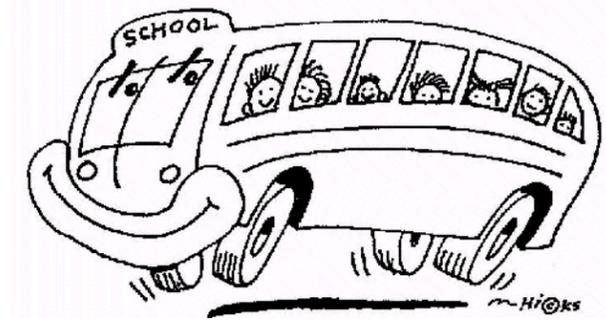
August 12th

-leave at 8:00 am from the Extension Office
-Tour of Minot Air Force Base
-waterslides at the Sleep Inn where they will be staying.

August 13th

-Tour at Westlie Motor Company
-Roosevelt Park Zoo.
-Back in Sidney around 5:00 pm

Kids interested in attending **must call the Extension Office by the 18th of July!** This is very important so we can get your information to the Air Force Base. Please contact Lauri Handy or the Extension Office with any



Graduates Scholarships

The application deadline for scholarships is August 15th. Scholarships can be picked up at the Office or downloaded off the Web Site. This deadline includes the Swigart Memorial Scholarship, Pat Whiteman Memorial Scholarship, and livestock scholarships. Please make sure you turn your application into the office if interested.

Fair Grounds Work Day

Everyone involved in 4-H is asked to come out and participate in the work day scheduled for July 20th at the Fairgrounds starting at **4:00 p.m.** We will be getting the grounds and buildings ready for the Fair and will conclude the day with a potluck dinner. A few of the projects include cleaning the Food Booth, Exhibit Building and painting. There is a lot of work to be done in the sheep and hog barn as well. The clubs in charge of this years clean up include **Richland Rockets, Three Buttes, and Valley View.** Some things that may be handy to bring are shovels, wheel barrows, brooms, cleaning supplies, saws, hammers and paint brushes! No tools will be supplied. As part of the potluck we need families starting with A-L to bring salads and M-Z to bring a desert. Everyone needs to bring their own drinks. 4-H will be supplying burgers, buns and condiments.

Exhibit Building Sign Up

Please take note of when your club works on page 5. If there are time slots that are not filled the building will be closed to the public. We asked that the larger clubs take two shifts. Thank you to everyone for your cooperation!

September Leaders Meeting

The next 4-H Leaders meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 2nd at 7:00 p.m.** in the Library Basement. Election of new officers will be taking place along with other bits of business. We hope you will attend and help us get the upcoming 4-H year off to a great start. The Nomination Committee will be asking for volunteers for positions on the council at this year's fair.

Fair Schedule

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

9:00 a.m. - 2 p.m Indoor Project Interview. Clubs will be advised of their scheduled time.

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

8:00 a.m.- Deadline for all 4-H Horse entries
 8:30 a.m.- Judging of 4-H Horse Classes showmanship, and lots 1- 44
 12 noon - 4-H concession stand opens
 3:30 - 7:00 p.m.- All livestock exhibits entered
 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.- Weighing of Market Hogs & Sheep

Thursday, July 31, 2008

6:30 a.m.- Weighing of Market Beef
 8:30 a.m.- 4-H livestock judging (swine, sheep, dairy, and goat)
 1:00 p.m.- Judging of Dogs, Cats, Rabbits & Poultry
 5:00 p.m.- Judging of 4-H market beef

Friday, August 1, 2008

8:00 a.m.- 4-H Showmanship (Sr. and Jr.)
 11:00 a.m.- Overall Grand Champion Showmanship contest (Sr. and Jr.)
 4:00 p.m.- Trophy and Awards presentation (4-H Arena)
 4:30 p.m.- 4-H Livestock Sale (4-H Arena)

Saturday, August 2, 2008

8:00 a.m.- Judging of 4-H Horses lots 45 - 54
 6:00 p.m.- Check out of 4-H horse exhibit

Sunday, August 3, 2008

7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.- Check out of all 4-H exhibits, including livestock

Livestock Check-In

Check-In is from 3:30-7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 30th with sheep, goat, and hog weigh-in from 7-8 p.m. All animals need to be unloaded by 7:00 p.m., no exceptions! Members need to check in with Becky at the 4-H Office in the Sheep and Swine Barn. Each member will receive their competitor number and stall sign, and other information. Entry tags and feeder pass for livestock will be with your indoor entries on Tuesday. As animals are unloaded we ask that trailers are moved ASAP or they will be moved for you.

2008 FAIR WORK SCHEDULE

4-H Food Booth

Wednesday, July 30th	
10:00am - 2:00pm	*Jepsen, Webber, Hagler, Rice, Lien, Baxter, Candee
2:00pm - 6:00pm	*Prevost, A Carda, Ries, Hier
6:00pm - 10:00pm	*L McMillen, R Fink, Albin, Helmut, Pease
Thursday, July 31	
6:00am - 10:00am	*Verschoot, Rosaaen, J Fink, Topp
10:00am - 2:00pm	*Lewis, Earle, Ler, Leland
2:00pm - 6:00pm	*Steppler, Zadow, Whitford, Reidle

Friday, August 1st	
6:00am - 10:00am	*Schaff, Brunsvold, Walla
10:00am - 2:00pm	*Nevins, Kunda, Hill, Hunter, Schepens
2:00pm - 6:00pm	*Redman, Netzer, Wick
6:00pm - 10:00pm	*Haverkamp, Schwartz, Neuleib
Saturday, August 2nd	
6:00am - 10:00am	*Lander, Handy, Casterline, Reid
10:00am - 2:00pm	*Gorder, Lunderby, Dynneson
2:00pm - 6:00pm	*Searer, K McMillen, B&C Johnson
6:00pm - 10:00pm	*Foss

4-H Building Sitting Schedule

Wednesday, July 30th	
3:00pm - 6:00pm	Brorson
6:00pm - 9:00pm	
Thursday, July 31st	
10:00am - 1:30pm	
1:30pm - 5:00pm	Yellowstone Valley
5:00pm - 8:30pm	
Friday, August 1st	
9:00am - 12:00pm	
12:00pm - 3:00pm	Richland Rockets
3:00pm - 6:00pm	
6:00pm - 9:00pm	
Saturday, August 2nd	
9:00am - 12:00pm	Lambert Hi-Liters
12:00pm - 3:00pm	Forever Buds
3:00pm - 6:00pm	Forever Buds
6:00pm - 9:00pm	

Cleaning Schedule

BEFORE	AFTER
July 20th - 4:00pm Richland Rockets Three Buttes Valley View	August 3rd - 10:00am Yellowstone Valley Badlands Brorson

Food Booth Details

- There are a few guidelines for each shift:
- Each family needs to bring 3 nine inch fruit pies, unless they are the 6:00 a.m. shift
 - The 6:00 a.m. shift (all families of each shift combine) need to bring 6 dozen sweet rolls, you may purchase these at baker boy for consistency
 - Each shift should bring 1 gallon of lemonade and 1 gallon of ice tea frozen in plastic containers.
 - Workers need to show up 15 minutes before their shift starts.
 - Keep long hair tied up, avoid shorts, no halter tops, and absolutely no bare feet.

Camping at the Fair Grounds

- If you are planning on camping at the Fairgrounds during the Fair, the following contains some information you will need to know.
- All camper units must be identified with the family name displayed in the front window of the camper (provided by fair office)
 - Keep your area clean
 - Only those with special admission tickets: Superintendents, Fair employees, 4-H livestock leaders and 4-H campers shall park in this area.
 - AC units **must** be turned off when the camper is unoccupied. Keep electricity use to a minimum.
 - Campers in the new area will have electricity, but no water.

Interview Judging

Interview judging is designed to assist the 4-H'er in evaluating their work. It gives 4-H'ers a sense of personal involvement and makes project work more educational. Evaluators are understanding, empathetic, supportive and willing to listen as they involve themselves in dialogues with young people. Here are some sample questions you may be able to expect.

- 1) Have you taken this project before?
- 2) What other things did you make in this project during the year?
- 3) How will you use this project item?
- 4) What was the most difficult part of your exhibit?
- 5) What would you do differently if you made it again?
- 6) Approximately how much did it cost you to make?
- 7) What are some characteristics that make a good (project) exhibit
- 8) Do you plan to take this project again?
- 9) What are some other things you could learn?
- 10) What did you like best about the project?



Tri-County Cooking Camp



4-H Camp



Fair Barn Talk

Attention Livestock Members

Over the last few years there have been a few changes. Members need to read the following and understand the changes so that there is no confusion at fair.

2% Commission: Members selling livestock will be assessed a commission, replacing; insurance, mat fee, check off fees, brand inspection, and Thank You plaque.

Individual Pictures: In past years the individual pictures have been very popular with many buyers. This year pictures will be taken after each show to insure that we have good quality pictures. Steer pictures will be taken between the two beef barns and sheep and hog will be taken on the south side of the sheep and hog barn. It is the members responsibility to get your picture done.

Bill of Sale and Livestock Delivery Agreements: Every member with market animals must have completed the MQA requirements. You must also have a Livestock Delivery Agreement and your bill of sale in Wednesday night at check-in or you will not be allowed to show and sell your animal.

Livestock Buyer's Week

We have set aside July 21st - 25th as Buyer Appreciation Week. 4-H members need to call the office by July 18th to sign up for at least one day to visit local businesses to promote our sale. We will also need adults to help out taking some of the groups around town. The goal for the buyer's week is to encourage more businesses to attend and to promote the premium part of our sale. Groups will be leaving the office at 2:00 with leader chaperones. There is also a pamphlet for sale promotion that can be picked up from the office.

Trailer Parking

This year leaders will be required to move trailers immediately after animals are unloaded. This will help with the waiting in the parking lot. All livestock families will or have received more information via the mail. If you have any questions please call us.

Group Picture: We will have a group picture taken for a Thank You to buyers during the Fair rather than placing an expensive individual Thank You adds. The picture will be taken at around 10:00 a.m. on Friday. Please dress in your show attire

Dress Code: There is a dress code for all livestock exhibitors printed on page 5 of the 4-H Livestock Handbook. All members will be required to adhere to this code during showing of animals, showmanship and during the sale. Members will be asked to leave the ring if they do not follow the requirements.

Exhibit Numbers: All livestock members are required to wear numbers on their back in order to exhibit. These numbers will be provided at check in on Wednesday, August 1st, so make sure you get your number.

Pen Bedding: Members will again be responsible to provide their own bedding for all animals.

Livestock Exhibitors Handbook

Everybody showing livestock should have recieved the new Livestock Exhibitors Handbook that we're putting out this year. This book will help new and return exhibitors with their schedules and preparations for the fair. It also gives information on the events we hold such as the Buyer's BBQ and the Carcass show. We really feel that this will help with the questions and uncertainties that come with bringing livestock to the fair. Make sure to utilize the check lists when packing your trailer!

Open Horse Show

There will be a North Eastern Montana Quarter Horse Association Open Horse show on July 13 at 9 a.m. It will be held at the Sidney Saddle Club Arena. For more information contact Dawn Greenwood 482-6322 or Randi Keller 482-2520