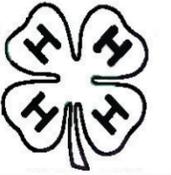


Clover Chatter



“Every Piece Counts”



4-H Camp

Summer is quickly approaching. This summer you can learn how to canoe and shoot air rifle. Go through challenge courses and work on your team-building skills with kids from neighboring counties, plus many other fun-filled activities!

Richland County, along with 4 other counties in the area, is offering a 4-H camp held at the Fort Peck Boys Scout Camp. Camp dates are June 5-7. Activities include: Using Dutch Ovens, nature hiking / GPS, challenge courses, canoeing, air rifle, archery, swimming, and team-building workshops! The camp will be led by Senior 4-H members, that attended the retreat in April, with Adult leaders as their supervisors.

Want to go? The Council has voted to give \$20 scholarships for members to help cover the \$30 registration fee. To receive your scholarship write a paragraph of why you want to go to camp and what you want to learn, and send it to the Richland County Extension Office. Then fill out a registration and send \$10 with the form to the Valley County Extension Office.

Registration is due May 21st!!

Fair Book

The 2007 4-H Fair Books will be ready May 15th. We suggest that Club Leaders pick up books and entry forms for their clubs. Only one book per family, and please DO NOT sign up for more than you think you can handle. Too much time and effort goes into making tags and judging sheets for the projects that are not completed. We ask you finish as many projects as you possibly can to put on a great display at the 4-H building.

Important Reminders

“Every Piece Counts” 4-H Camp

May 21, Registration due
June 5,6,7, Camp
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Tri-County Sew Camp

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Fashion Revue & Quilt Contest

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Exec./Livestock Mtg.

June 11th,
7:00 p.m. Exec.
8:00 p.m. Livestock
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Leader’s Meeting

July 2nd, 7:30 p.m.
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Important for Fair Preparations
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*Please send your e-mail to
whiteman@montana.edu to be on the 4-
H e-mail list. This has been widely used
and a great source of information.*



Scholarship Winners

Mykel Ler- Ann Bauman Scholarship
Amanda Van Every-Ann Bauman Scholarship
Katelyn Koch -Marianne Goss Scholarship



2006-07 Executive Council
(Not Pictured: Lisa Gorder and Pam Henson)

29th Annual Fruit Sale

Congratulations on another successful fruit sale! Our annual fruit sale sold 31,000 pounds of product! All-in-all it was a great sale!! The “mystery people” were Zack Yockim of Sidney, Jesse Reuter of Sidney, Wendy Haugen of Fairview, Ron Bouchard of Lambert, and Doug Pust of Savage. Another big thank you to all who did their part in making this year’s sale another success. The top selling clubs were Valley View, Brorson and Richland Rockets. Below is the list of top five individuals and family sellers:

Individual		Families	
1 st	Shanae Prevost	1 st	Handy
2 nd	Mike Miller	2 nd	Staffanson
3 rd	Allen Neuleib	3 rd	Ler
4 th	Kolton Nevins	4 th	Ries
5 th	Emily Schaff	5 th	McMillen

Sign up Now!

Our 4-H Food Booth and Exhibit building work schedule will be available for sign up June 1st. The Exhibit building will be by club as it has been every year. The Food Booth, will be run the same as past years. Every family needs to sign up for a shift rather than by club. We will have a sign up sheet in the office for families to pick a time to work. This change was made to give clubs flexibility in scheduling around events. Every club needs to have someone sign up as a Supervisor.

If you are not signed up by the deadline, you will be appointed a shift!! There will be no excuses. The food booth has become profitable in the past and will again with good management and leadership. If you have any concerns, please contact Leslie, Rory or the Office. Please do not work a shift as a club.

Graduates Scholarships

The scholarship application deadline for the Livestock, Whiteman, and Swigart Scholarships is September 1st. Please make sure you turn your application into the office if you are interested.

Tri County Sewing Camp

The Tri-County Sewing Camp will be held on Monday, June 25 in Culbertson. It will start with registration at 8:30 a.m. and end around 4:00 p.m. The morning workshop will include a travel accessory bag (for more experienced sewers) and a monogrammed pillow for the less experienced sewers. In the afternoon, everyone will sew a felted bag and brush up on their sewing techniques. The registration fee will be \$10.00 and will include a continental style breakfast, snacks and lunch. This year’s community service project will be to bring toiletry and grooming items for the Culbertson food bank. Registration information for the camp will be coming out soon directly to sewing project members. If you are not enrolled in a sewing project but would like to attend the camp, contact the Extension Office for the registration information. Registration will be due June 1.

Are You Eligible?

As a result of county-wide competitions over the past months, the following Sr. Members have qualified to attend State Congress at this time.
 Horse- Megan Greenwood, Joyce Wick, Victoria Netzer
 Livestock- Nathan McMillen, Jarvis Klempel, Casey Denowh, Wacey McMillen.
 Alt- Katelyn Dynneson, Erin Oliver
 Speech-Amy Redman
 Demonstrations- Sara McMillen, Erin Oliver, Katelyn Dynneson, Kayleen Searer, Damian Tombre, Amy & Brian Redman
 Dress Revue- TBA
 *If your eligible and cannot or do not wish to go, call the Extension Office and let us know ahead of time.

At Large Applications

Senior members who would like to attend State 4-H Congress as an “at large” delegate should have applications into the Extension Office by June 1st. This should be in the form of a simple essay as to why you would like to attend and what benefits you expect from the experience.

Our Council allows one at-large delegate each year, and guidelines for the selection process are on file.

Leader’s Meeting July 2nd

Our next scheduled Leaders Meeting will be on July 2nd beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Sidney Public Library Basement. Plans for Fair will be the main focus. Please make plans to have your club represented!

Executive Council and Livestock Committee will hold their meeting on June 11th at the Richland County Extension Office at 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. This date change is due to the camp.

Barnyard Talk

Camper Stalls

Members may reserve camper stalls for this years fair starting on June 1st. This will be a first come, first serve basis. ALL participants, livestock and horse, need to reserve their spot with the Fair Office at 433-2801

NOTICE

Beef members will be using Livestock Poly neck ties to ensure the safety of spectators and animals in the barn area. All members may purchase neck tie ropes prior to this years fair or learn to make one at this years showmanship clinic

Clean Up Day

Keep July 22nd open for this years clean up at the fair grounds.



Showmanship Clinic

A showmanship clinic will be available to all members on **June 25th** at the Richland County Fairgrounds. The workshop is planned to start at 6 p.m.

Animals covered will include beef, sheep, swine, goat, and horse, along with basic grooming. Members are invited to bring their animals to the Showmanship Clinic.

Arena Chat

Upcoming Horse Judging

May 9	5:30 p.m. Fallon County
June 2	9:00 a.m. Madison
June 27	Watford City Horse Show

Monday Night Rides

The horse program will be kicking off the summer riding program on Monday, June 4th at the Sidney Saddle Club. Be sure to check your schedule so you know what time your class starts!

Horse Helmet Release

The Helmet Release and Medical Release forms are due May 15th. Please turn them into the Extension Office. Members are required to turn in their forms prior to summer riding.

Hovde Horse Clinics

John Hovde will be holding 6 horsemanship clinics. Dates are set for May 8, 15, 22, 29 and June 5 and 12. For more information, or to pre-register, call the Williams County Extension Office at (701) 577-4595.

1. Has your child been away from home overnight before? Yes _____ No _____

2. **Mark any of these supervised activities in which the camper is NOT allowed to participate:**

- _____ Dutch Oven Cooking _____ Canoe _____ Swimming
- _____ Nature Hikes/GPS _____ Air Rifle _____ Team Building Workshops
- _____ Challenge Course _____ Archery _____ Sleeping in Tents/Tee Pee's
- _____ Travel Other: _____

To request disability accommodation or inform us of special dietary or other needs, please contact your County Extension Agent

3. Does your child have any known allergic reactions (include food, medicine, plants, insects)? _____

4. Does your child have any illnesses requiring medication? _____

Medication _____ Dosage _____ Prescribed by _____

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All medicines must be sent with the camper and be reported and checked in with the camp nurse.

5. What kinds of situations might cause your child distress? _____

6. Does your child wear Medic-Alert Tags? Yes _____ No _____ Where? _____

7. Is your child subject to: (Answer yes or no)

- _____ Abdominal Pain _____ Ear or Sinus Trouble _____ Heart Trouble
- _____ Asthma _____ Epilepsy _____ Nose Bleeds
- _____ Bedwetting _____ Fainting Spells _____ Sleep Walking
- _____ Cramps _____ Hay Fever _____ Tonsillitis
- _____ Diabetes _____ Headaches Other _____

Describe child's reactions or other information we should know (e.g. Disabilities): _____

8. Date of your last tetanus shot? _____

9. List any chronic illness or other condition for which your child needs treatment. (Explain - This is for a physician who might need to treat your child in case of illness or injury or for the insurance company.)

Authorization

I _____ being the parent or legal guardian of _____ affirm that this form is complete and accurate to my knowledge and grant permission for her/him to participate in "Every Piece Counts" 4-H Camp. I will not hold the sponsoring organization or host facility or their representatives responsible in case of an accident. I give permission for the Camp Nurse or MSU Extension Agent to administer simple medications such as aspirin, Tylenol, Pepto Bismal, cough syrup, etc., to my child.

In case of a medical emergency, if I cannot be reached, I give permission for the director of the Camp to contact a physician. If I cannot be reached, I give permission for the attending physician to treat her/him in an emergency situation. I know the plans of the trip, including the dates, who will chaperon the group, the mode of travel, where the group will stay, and the planned activities. My son or daughter **agrees to abide** by the rules of no use or possession of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, cigarettes, knives, guns or any other items that could be considered a weapon. He or she also agrees to abide by the curfew and other rules established. Violations of these rules will result in a parent picking up the 4-H member or financing transportation home immediately.

I AGREE TO THE TERMS ABOVE:

(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

(Mailing Address, City, Zip)

(Signature of 4-H Member)

(Telephone)

(Date)

(Work Telephone)

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Ambassador Applications Due

Due date for prospective ambassador applications is quickly drawing close for all members. The ambassador program is a grass roots program that promotes 4-H on the local level and through out the state. To take full advantage of the program members that are currently freshman and sophomores need to apply. There are local funds to help with getting perspective ambassadors to leadership training. If you are interested please contact Wade or Holly Redman.

Community Service Projects

Community Service Grants have been mailed out. The Executive Council approved the grants as follows: \$100-Three Buttes & \$133.33-Charley Creek, Badlands and Valley View

School Project Exhibits

Just a reminder that members are allowed to exhibit projects at the Fair that they have completed at school, provided that it is entered in the appropriate 4-H division. This is allowed because a number of 4-H projects correlate closely with those done at school and members do the work.

State Congress Already?

The State Congress meeting is set for June 12th. All delegates and parents or guardians are required to attend to qualify for State Congress in Bozeman. We will meet at 5:15 p.m. at the Library Basement. Registration forms will be passed out at this meeting and will need to be filled out and returned at that time. If you are going to State Congress you and your parents NEED to attend this meeting, or meet with Wade **before** that date.

Junior Trip

Junior Trip is just around the corner! If you would be interested in helping in the planning of the trip, please call the Extension Office. The trip is tentatively planned for August 15th and will be a trip to the Rec Center in Dickinson, ND.

Calendar of Events

- Fair Book..... May 15
- Camp Sign-up..... May 21
- Fashion Revue Sign-up..... May 23
- Fashion Revue..... May 30
- Food Booth Sign-up (Ext. Office) June 1
- Camper Sign-up (Fair Office) June 1
- Exec. Livestock Meeting June 11..... 7:00/8:00 p.m.
- Tri-County Sewing Camp June 25
- State Congress Meeting June 12..... 5:15 p.m.
- Showmanship Workshop June 25..... 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- Leaders Meeting..... June 2

**Montana 4-H Congress
Community Service Project**

Your challenge is to bring cans of Tuna fish with green and blue labels to Congress.

It is important for all cans to be the same size and shape in order to build a structurally sound model. Please bring only regular tuna fish size (approx. 6 oz.) cans with mostly green or blue labels. Throughout the event we will build a 3-dimensional model of the globe out of cans before donating them to the Montana Food Network. www.montanafood-banknetwork.org

The County with the largest "can count" will receive a special recognition and a prize during the Awards Showcase on Wednesday night.

Cans will be collected at the Field House as you enter the Opening Session Tuesday night. Please do not bring cans to registration. There will be several opportunities throughout the event to help with the "canstruction".

The size of our globe depends on you and your ability to collect as many cans as possible! If it is not logistically possible for you to bring a car load of cans with you to Congress the Community Service committee will collect money and purchase the equivalent number of cans in Bozeman. Each dollar will count as one can towards your county's "can count".

Fashion Revue is Here Again!

Make preparations to participate in this year's 4-H Fashion & Quilt Revue. It is set for Wednesday May 30 at the Crestwood Inn. Registration is due by Wednesday May 23. No late registrations will be accepted. Participants will need to be at Crestwood Inn at 3:00 p.m. with their garments on a hanger. The judging will start at 3:15 p.m. with the fashion show at 7:00 p.m. We would like to add some 4-H entertainment to the style show and are looking for several members who would like to share their talent – singing, dancing, musical instruments, etc. This would be a great community service provided to the members of Crestwood Inn. Please contact Wade Whiteman or Leslie McMillen.

2007 Richland County Quilt Contest

The quilt contest is an educational component of the 4-H Clothing and Textiles program. The contest will be held on May 30th as a part of the Fashion Revue Contest. Contestants can compete for a trip to State Congress by completing the qualifications listed below and receiving a blue ribbon. Contestants will be required to present their quilt through a 1-3 minute talk to the judges. Judges will also interview the contestant about the work that they have done on the quilt.

- ✿ Any size quilt will be accepted. Wall hangings and quilted garments will also be accepted.
- ✿ Quilts may be hand or machine quilted, or tied.
- ✿ All work must be completed by the 4-H member. Professionally machine quilted items will not be accepted.
- ✿ Participants should bring their fabric swatches and a picture of themselves and their quilt.
- ✿ Contestants do not need to be enrolled in the quilting project to participate, although it is encouraged.

Sign up is due Wednesday, May 23rd at the Extension Office.

NAME _____ AGE _____

CLUB _____ YEAR IN 4-H CLOTHING _____

UNIT OF CLOTHING _____

*The following information will be used in the script read during the evening revue.
Please help by including as much information as you can concerning your garment.
You may write your own script and enclose it with this sheet if you wish.*

DESCRIBE YOUR GARMENT: *include special features.*

NOTE: Your pattern has a description that you may refer to for help.

TYPE OF FABRIC AND COLOR: *Please indicate a swatch of fabric 4"x4"*

ACCESSORIES: *Belt, Purse, Jewelry, Shoes, Back Pack, etc.*

WHERE GARMENT WILL BE WORN: *School, Church, Dances, Travel, etc.*

WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE ACTIVITIES AND HOBBIES:

Also available on the web on the Forms Page!!!



“Every Piece Counts”

4-H CAMPER APPLICATION
JUNE 5, 6 & 7, 2007

Ck# _____
Cash _____
Amount _____
Received By _____
Date Received _____

WHO CAN GO TO CAMP?

If you are interested in attending 4-H Camp:

1. You must be enrolled in 4-H for the 2006-2007 4-H year as a full fledged member (not Cloverbud).
2. Applicants must be no older than 13 **on October 1, 2006.**

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- 1) Complete the 4-H Camp Application Form, front and back.
- 2) Due in Valley County Extension Office by May 21, 2007
- 3) Send this application with the registration fee to:

Valley County Extension Office
501 Court Square #12
Glasgow, MT 59230

- 4) Information regarding camp details (what to bring, where to meet, arrival times, etc.) will be mailed to each camper family after registration due date.

(Richland County 4-H Members eligible for \$20 Scholarship, send \$10 to Valley County if you have completed scholarship)

REGISTRATION FEE:

\$30.00 due by May 21 into Valley County Extension Office
Make checks payable to: **Valley County 4-H Council**

LOCATION: Boy Scouts Camp, Fort Peck, MT. Located in the Dredge Area.

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

Email _____ Birthday: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____

What type of recreation do you like? _____

List games you like to play _____

4-H ACTIVITY/HEALTH AGREEMENT

Family Physician _____ Address _____ Phone _____

Your Insurance Carrier Policy/Group # _____

How may you be contacted in case of an emergency? _____

Person to contact if family can't be contacted _____ Phone _____

Person(s) other than named above, to whom the camp may release the child upon request. _____

(OVER)

Camp Web Site: www.richland.org/extension/camp/index.html