



Important Reminders

4-H Camp
June 24-26

Tri-County Sew Camp
Registration due - June 7
Camp - June 14; pg 6

Fashion Revue & Quilt Contest
June 3rd
Judging Mid-afternoon
6pm - Extension Office

Exec./Livestock Mtg.
June 3 - 7 & 8 p.m.
Extension Office

Leader's Meeting
July 1st, 7:00 p.m.
Extension Office

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Executive Council and Livestock Committee will hold their meeting on June 3rd at the Extension Office at 7:00 and 8:00 p.m.

Speech & Demonstration Day



Speech and Demonstration day was held on April 7th at Sidney High School. There were 20 participants this year and all did an excellent job. Congratulations to all who participated in this event. The senior members who qualified for Congress were: Sierra Osborne, Emmett Johnson, Tess Ler and Taylor Searer and John Helmuth in demonstration and Jesse Staffanson and Rachel Prevost in Speech. Our top junior members were: Seth Prevost in Junior Boys, Katrina Meldahl in junior girls, Reagan Hall in junior speech and Kyle Topp in the junior crown division. Other participants were: Katherine Hill, Elizabeth Hill, Sarah Helmuth, Trista Hovde, Jake Kunda, Terry Reese, Frank Kunda, Tucker Nevins and Grady Larson. Once again Congratulations to all!

Fashion & Quilt Revue is Here Again!

This year the Fashion and Quilt Revue will be held on Monday, June 3rd at the Extension Office. **Registration is due May 24th. No late Registrations will be accepted!!!** Registration for Fashion Revue needs to include a swatch of fabric and a complete description of your garment. Fashion revue contestants need to bring their garment on a hanger. Quilt participants need to bring a picture of yourself with the quilt and fabric samples. The Registration forms are included in this edition of the Clover Chatter. All members enrolled in either the sewing or quilting project are encouraged to participate. Judging will take place mid afternoon – this will be determined according to the number of participants. The office will contact each participant after the registration date with exact times. The fashion & quilt revue will be at 6:00 pm for all friends and family. Please contact the office if you have any further questions.

Calendar of Events

Fair Book Out	May 20
Sewing Camp Registrations Due	June 7
Camper Sign-up (Fair Office)	June 3
Fashion Revue	June 3
Camp	June 24-26
Pre-Congress	July 6-8
Congress	July 9-12
Clean Up Day	July 25
Tri-County Sewing Camp	June 14
Fair	July 31 - Aug 3

Leaders Meeting

Our next scheduled Leaders Meeting will be on **Monday, July 1st** beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. Plans for Fair will be the main focus. Please make plans to have your club represented!

Fair Book

The 2013 4-H Fair Books will be ready May 20th. We suggest that Club Leaders pick up books for their clubs. Only one book per family. Entry blanks will be ready at the June Leader's Meeting. Please sign up for only what 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.

Shooting Sports Training

The last shooting sports training of the season will be in Circle, MT on May 31-June 1st. This training will include 4-H Western Heritage (Cowboy), Muzzle Loading and Shotgun. The training will begin at 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Friday night and continue from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. Friday's dinner and lodging is on your own, but lunch is provided on Saturday as part of the registration. Educational materials are also included. Registration is due by May 24th. Please contact the office for the Registration paper work or with any questions.

Pre Congress

The dates for Pre Congress are July 6-9th in Bozeman, MT. Pre Congress is open to any youth that has attended Congress in the past. You don't need to be an Ambassador to participate in Pre Congress. Pre Congress is a wonderful opportunity for all youth who want to expand their leadership skills and help to make Montana 4-H Congress a huge success. Registration for Pre Congress is to be completed by June 1st. For the form, or if you have questions, please contact the office.

Montana 4-H Congress

"4-H In Action" is the fun and exciting theme for this year's Montana 4-H Congress. The dates for this year's event are July 9-12th, in Bozeman, MT. This event will have hands-on workshops, Motivational speakers, BBQ, dances, and the state wide competitive events. Congress is an awesome opportunity open to youth 14 (as of October 1 of the current 4-H year) and up. There will be a Congress meeting on June 6th at the Extension Office at 7:30 p.m., please plan on attending this meeting if you are interested in attending Congress. At the meeting, we will talk about the Congress plans as well as fill out all necessary paper work to attend the event. If you cannot attend the meeting on the 6th, you must meet with Josie before that date. If you have any further questions, please call the office.

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.

Livestock- Rachael Oliver, Jared Rosaaen, Lane Verschoot, Christian Prevost

Speech- Jesse Staffanson and Rachel Prevost

Demonstrations- Sierra Osborne, Emmett Johnson, Tess Ler, Taylor Searer and John Helmuth.

Dress Revue- TBA

Quilt - TBA

*If you're eligible and cannot or do not wish to go, call the Extension Office and let us know ahead of time.

Interview Judging

We will again be conducting the indoor judging as we did in the past. Each member will have to answer 3-4 basic questions about their indoor projects. Through this short interview, members will be more comfortable to be a counselor at camp, an ambassador, or working with adults. A schedule will be posted in the July Clover.

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.

Food Booth Schedule

Wednesday

11:30-4:30 Brorson
4:30-10:00 Richland Rockets

Thursday

6:30-11:30 Three Buttes
11:30-4:30 Lambert Hi-Liters
4:30-10:00 Yellowstone Valley Trailblazers

Friday

6:30-11:30 Fair View
11:30-4:30 Forever Buds
4:30-10:00 Richland Aces

Saturday

6:30-11:30 Missouri River Ranchers
11:30-4:30 Badlands Brushpoppers
4:30-10:00 Richland Rascals



Fairbook

As the Fair approaches we have been reviewing and making beneficial changes to the fairbook. If you know or have any ideas on how to make the fairbook more user friendly in the future, please contact the office.



Exhibit Building Sitting

Wednesday

12:00-4:00 Brorson
4:00-8:00 Richland Rockets

Thursday

12:00-4:00 Lambert Hi-Liters
4:00-8:00 Yellowstone Valley Trailblazers
8:00-10:00 Three Buttes

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12:00-4:00 Forever Buds
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Saturday

9:00-12:00 Missouri River Ranchers
12:00-4:00 Badlands Brushpoppers
4:00-8:00 Richland Rascals
8:00-10:00 Homesteaders

Exhibit Check Out:

Yellowstone Valley Trailblazers

Indoor Judging Clerks

As discussed at the Leader's Meeting we will be asking for 3 people from each club to help the day of indoor judging. Each club needs to designate 2 people to help in the morning with judging and 1 person following judging to help with setting up the building. Please discuss this at your meetings and let the office know who is going to help with what.



Clean Up Day

Keep the date of July 25th open for the clean up at the Fairgrounds this year. The event will start at 5:30 p.m., there will be more information in the July Clover Chatter.

Jr Trip

We are looking for some help in planning the Jr. Trip that usually takes place in August. If you are interested in helping with the event, please contact the office.

Dog Obedience

There will be a dog obedience class on May 30, 2013, at the Richland County Fairgrounds. This will be a great opportunity for all 4-H members regardless of their enrollment in the dog project. The class will be taught by Nicole Gorham and will begin at 6:00 p.m., for any questions please contact the office.

Tri County Sewing Camp

Tri-County Sewing Camp will be June 14th at the Legion Hall in Culbertson. **Registration is due on June 7th.** The registration is included in this edition of the Clover Chatter. You do not need to be enrolled in the sewing project to attend.

Thursday Sewing

Leslie will be doing a weekly Thursday sewing workshop starting June 6th. These will be held at the Extension Office. If you have any questions, please call Leslie. If you would like to sign up for the workshops, please call the office or Leslie.

Barnyard Talk

State Horse Show

The State Horse show will be held September 13-15, 2013, at the Majestic Valley Arena in Kalispell MT. This event is open to all Montana 4-H members working on the horse project ages 9-19. Remember to keep this date on your calendar.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Taylor Fink for having her art work selected to be used for the State Horse Show in September.



Camper Stalls

Members may reserve camper stalls for this year's fair starting on June 3rd. 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. **Due to an increase in demand, there will only be 1 camper spot per family.**

Monday Night Rides

The first Monday night ride for this year was held May 3, at the Sidney Saddle Club. You must be compliant with all Richland County policies to participate in Monday night rides. For more information contact Pat Wick at 406-798-3620 or email wicks@midrivers.com, or contact Office.

Cattle Members

All members will be using livestock poly neck ties to ensure the safety of spectators and animals in the barn area. All members must purchase neck tie ropes prior to this year's fair. All animals must be tied up in the Livestock Barns. No panels with loose calves.

Camper passes **MUST** be visibly posted in the window of your camper or you will be asked to leave.



All campers are required to have adult supervision.

Showmanship Clinic

Superior Livestock & Sidney Livestock Market Center are proud to present Kirbe and Amanda Schnoor for a Showmanship and Fitting Clinic to include beef, hog and sheep. The clinic will kick off **Thursday, June 6th at 4:00 with the showmanship part and fitting tips at the Richland County Fairgrounds weather permitting (alternative location will be at Rayna Rice's Arena). For kids interested in a more detailed presentation of fitting a show animal the clinic will resume Friday at 10:00 am.**

The Schnoor Sisters story began with the help and support of their parents but mostly because of a shy 9 year old who saw a future in the black cattle that stood in a dirt pen. Since then, Amanda has come a long way, from show to show, traveling the country and competing on many different levels in the livestock industry. Now a teacher at Modesto Junior College, she focuses on Ag Science and business classes, the livestock judging team and is the supervisor over the animal units at the school farm. Kirbe graduated from University of California, Fresno in May and moved to Fort Worth, Texas in December to work for Superior Livestock Auction. There she works with the production team on the television side as well as hosts a segment on Superior Sunrise. Kirbe very involved with showing cattle as well and following the footsteps of her big sister both have remained in the Ag and Beef industries advocating and participating in both. They have shown all of over competing on local, state and national levels. They have taken top honors and champions away from Denver National Stock show, American Royal in Kansas City, North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, National Junior Angus Show and several others. They have enjoyed their experiences in and out of the show ring and they still have a little sister who competes all over showing cattle. They are passionate about the business and love encouraging the future leaders of the business with their involvement.

Sidney Livestock Market Center along with Superior Livestock works with many of this area's producers marketing their premier cattle and knows firsthand the important role 4-H plays in developing our young agriculture leaders. Superior Livestock & Sidney Livestock Market Center are dedicated to the success of the cattle industry and know the future of our industry lies in our youth. They're proud to be a sponsor of this great opportunity for this area's 4-H kids. Please join us for a fun, yet very informative clinic. We are fortunate to bring this caliber of talent to our area, take advantage of this exciting opportunity!

For more information please contact:
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31st Annual Fruit Sale

Congratulations on another successful fruit sale! All-in-all it was a great sale. The “mystery people” were Vanessa Pooch, Renee Sundheim, Dylan Klasna, Harlan Conradsen and Nicole Hackley. If you sold to a mystery person, contact the office for your \$20 prize. Another big thank you to all who did their part in making this year’s sale another success. The top selling clubs were Brorson, Missouri River Ranchers and the Richland Rockets. Below is the list of top five individual and family sellers:

Individual		Families	
1 st	Tess Ler	1 st	Handy
2 nd	Sierra Osborne	2 nd	Kunda
3 rd	Jesse Staffanson	3 rd	H Nevins
4 th	Terry Reese	4 th	Colgan
5 th	Brady Buxbaum	5 th	Steinbeisser

Welcome to Richland County 4-H

Richland County welcomes our new 4-H Club to the program. The new club, Homesteaders, started their club in March and are making great progress in club work and joining in with County wide events. Welcome to Richland County 4-H!



4-H Alumni Picnic

There will be a 4-H Alumni potluck picnic honoring Chris Bengochea June 9th at Veterans Memorial Park at 5:00 p.m. Please bring a hot dish, salad, or dessert. For more information contact Fred Barkley 482-4321.



4-H CAMP

This year 4-H camp will be June 24th-26th. The camp will be held at the UMM Bible Camp in Epping, North Dakota. There will be more information to follow.



Trap Shoot

Shoots will begin now in May and continue through June. A postcard will be sent out when a date and time are decided. Contact the Office for more information.



Congratulations Grads!

Richland County has a number of graduating seniors again this year, a majority of them have been a part of 4-H 10-11 years.

Our seniors are:
Sam Casterline, Bailee Fink, Jalyssa Gorder, Ty Handy, Jake Lunderby, Kate Reid, Jared Rosaaen, Jesse Staffanson, Jim Topp, Cody Vitt and Rita Wick.

The Extension Office would like to wish you good luck in all your future endeavors. You have all been an important part of our program and will be missed.



New Food Booth

As many of you know we are in the process of building a new Food Booth at the Fairgrounds. The old building has been demolished and the new building will soon be under construction. See the photos below for progress at this point.



Brand A Board

We are offering families and individuals the chance to show their support of the Richland County 4-H program by purchasing a square foot board that we will put their brand on. Each board will cost \$50.00 and the boards will then be displayed at the new 4-H food booth that is now under construction. The Brand a Board form is included in this edition of the Clover Chatter, for more forms or information please contact the office.

Jr. Leaders

The Richland County Jr. Leaders have had a busy and successful year. Their year kicked off with the Winter Carnival in December, the event was fun for all youth who attended. In February, the Jr. Leaders hosted a county wide food drive, and collected a large amount of food to donate to the local food bank. The food bank was very grateful for the donation. A HUGE thank you to all who donated.

In April, the Jr. Leaders hosted their Dinner and Dance. Dinner was a delicious meal that consisted of shrimp and steak. After the dinner there was a drawing for a variety of gift baskets, which was then followed with a dance. Both the dinner and dance were a fun and light hearted event. Every year the Junior Leaders donate the money raised from this event to a local cause. This year the Junior Leaders made a donation in the memory of Kelby Indergard. The Jr. Leaders would like to thank all who made all of these events a success.

