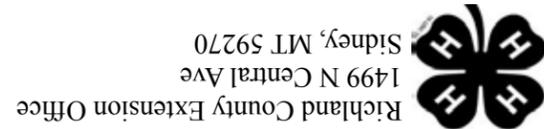


Clover Chatter



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Beef & Cheese Stick Sale

Beef and Cheese stick orders are due to the office by November 18th. At this point in time, the delivery is scheduled for December 3rd. The time is TBA. We will be passing on more specific delivery date information as we receive it.

Officer Training

Richland County 4-H has been chosen as a pilot county for a new 4-H youth officer training curriculum. We will be having a county wide workshop on November 24, 2013, at the Extension Office at 4:00 p.m. This workshop will be great for any youth who are currently serving as officers of their club or are interested in being officers in the future. Please call the office to sign up by November 20th.

New Council Officers

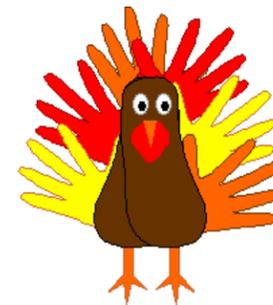
We are happy to announce that Patti Searer has agreed to serve as the Richland County 4-H Council Treasurer. She will officially begin in January. Also, Lacey Nevins and Mary Johnson agreed to continue serving as directors. Thank you to all who serve on the Council.

Greytak Calendars

Back by popular demand, the annual Greytak calendar sale will begin soon. The calendars will be available at local financial institutions and the Extension Office the week before Thanksgiving. The calendars are \$10.00 and are full of one of kind drawings by Don Greytak, and would make wonderful Christmas gifts!

Use of Meeting Room

Due to high use of the meeting room: If you are scheduled for a time that no longer works for you, or you are changing your meeting time or location, you need to contact the office and let us know of the changes. We schedule many different groups and meeting on the same day, according to the time of their use. If you change the time of the meeting or event and do not let the office know, we may have scheduled someone else to use the room at that time.



Happy Thanksgiving

Executive Council and Livestock Committee
 Will hold their meeting on December 2nd at the
 Richland County Extension Office
 beginning at 7:00 & 8:00 p.m.

Community Service Grants

Several years ago our 4-H Council established Community Service Grants for use by clubs in Richland County. Two \$100 grants and one \$300 grant is available via an application process. Forms can be picked up at the Office and are due back to the Office by January 31st. Selections will be made at February 3rd Executive Council Meeting.

This is a great way for clubs to get funding to do something that will give back to the community. There have been many great projects completed in the past. We look forward to seeing what great ideas come forward this year.

All clubs are encouraged to apply!

Junior Leaders

Junior Leaders will be meeting the first Sunday of every month. The next meeting will be December 8th, 6:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. We will be electing officers, planning events and community service for the year as well as working on our plans for the Winter Carnival. Anyone interested in participating in Jr. Leaders, or with hopes of being an Ambassador should plan on attending.

Shooting Sports

Shooting Sports for the year will be held at the Richland County Fairgrounds Event Center. Pre-registration will be due the Wednesday prior to the shoot.

This year's shooting dates:

- November 9th*
- December 14th*
- January 11th*
- February 8th*
- March 8th*
- April 12th*
- May 10th*



Sorry this article was irrelevant to this issue. So it was removed.

Citizenship Seminar

The 2013 Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar is scheduled for **March 2-4, 2013**, in Helena. This event is designed to educate, inspire, and showcase outstanding Montana youth as they learn and experience the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. 4-H members must be 14 years of age by October 1, 2012, and must **NOT** have previously attended Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar. It is recommended that participants are older youth who have had education and experience in various components of citizenship. Each county will be allotted two alternates on a first-come, first-served basis.

If interested in attending, please contact the Extension Office.

Winter Carnival

Junior Leaders will once again be hosting a winter carnival, open to all Jr. Members and Cloverbuds in Richland County. It will be held on December 30th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. There will be plenty of fun activities and dinner. Please pre-register by December 23rd, at the Extension Office. Hope to see all of you there!

Sewing Patterns Available

We will be placing an order for Sewing Patterns on December 1st. Please contact the Extension Office if you're interested in purchasing any. These are Simplicity patterns and at only \$1.00, quite a bargain. These can be viewed at the Simplicity website under classroom & free projects, then to the teacher's kit, and then browse patterns.



2013-14 RICHLAND COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR



October 2013		April	
7	Ex. Council/Liv. Committee - 7 p.m.	1	All Scholarship Apps Due
6-12	National 4-H Week	7	Ex. Council/Liv Committee - 7 p.m.
17-19	Ambassador Fall Training	12	Shooting Sports - 9 a.m.
12	Livestock Judging	24	Hog and Sheep Weigh Day
November		May	
1-15	Christmas Beef Stick Sale	5	Leaders Meeting - 7 p.m.
4	Leaders Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	TBA	Fashion Revue
9	Shooting Sports 9 a.m.	10	Shooting Sports 9 a.m. (if needed)
9	4-H Crafts Day, 1 p.m.		
10	Achievement Day	June	
December		2	Ex. Council/Liv Committee - 7 p.m.
1	Greytak Calendar Sale	TBA	4-H Camp
2	Ex. Council/Liv. Committee - 7 p.m.	30	Leader's Meeting - 7 p.m.
14	Shooting Sports 9 a.m.		
28	Weigh Market Beef Projects	July	
January 2014		5-7	Pre-Congress - Bozeman
1	Citizenship Washington Apps. Due	8-11	State 4-H Congress - Bozeman
6	Leaders Supper	18	Fair Entries Due
9-10	Ag Days	29	Entry Day
11	Shooting Sports 9 a.m.	30 - August 2	Richland County Fair
30	People Partner Grants Due	August	
February		5	Lamb & Hog Carcass Show
3	Ex. Council/Liv Committee - 7 p.m.	TBA	Jr. Trip
8	Shooting Sports - 9 a.m.	September	
March		2	Leaders Meeting - Elections- 7 p.m.
2-4	Citizenship Seminar	TBA	Keith Steinbeisser Memorial Judging
3	Leaders Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	October	
8	Shooting Sports - 9 a.m.	6	Ex. Council/Liv Committee - 7 p.m.
31	Project Add/Drop Deadline	5-11	National 4-H Week
TBA	Speech/Demonstration Day		
TBA	Fruit Sale		

Check our site for updates:

<http://msuextension.org/richland/4-H.html>



CRAFT DAY



ACHIEVEMENT DAY



Friend of 4-H
Gary Schoepp



Club of the Year
Bronson



The Leaders Dinner Meeting

The Leaders' Council would like to invite everyone out to dinner. This year's dinner will be served on Monday, January 6th at 6:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. This dinner will be served in appreciation for all that Richland County 4-H leaders do. The leaders' meeting will follow dinner. You must pre-register by noon on December 27th.

All leaders are encouraged to attend!

Montana 4-H Rec Lab 2013

Save the date... Montana 4-H Rec Lab will be in Butte April 4-6. The theme this year is "Catching Fire in the 4-H Spirit". 4-H fires will burn with leadership, your enthusiasm will rise, and your love for 4-H will live on. Rec Lab provides an opportunity for youth and adults to enhance their leadership, communication, and team building skills. This event is packed full of fun and education. The event is open to participants ages 13 and up.

Barn Yard Talk

Beef Weigh-In

All market beef must be weighed and tagged on Saturday, December 28th from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at the Yellowstone Livestock Yards in Sidney. There will be a brand inspector on site. You must have a Bill of Sale from the Breeder to the exhibitor in order to weigh your animal in. You need to pick up your tags early to help save time on weigh in day. Each animal MUST have a bill of sale unless the brand is registered under the 4-H member's name. Bills of Sale and Livestock Delivery Agreements will be mailed to each member in the Market Beef Project. To be able to weigh in animals, members must be enrolled in the Market Beef Project and have their enrollment forms turned in.

MQA

There will be an MQA training Sunday, December 8th at 1:00 p.m. at the Dynneson Feed Lot. MQA is a training that is mandatory every other year, and to all first year members who are enrolled in market livestock projects. This specific MQA training will go over vaccinations of market livestock animals.

Please call the office if you have any further questions.

Horse Committee Meeting

Horse Play!!!!

The Horse Program members are hosting a workshop, the 3rd Sunday of every month.

This is an open invitation to ALL 4-H Members of Richland County to attend our workshops!!!

This month's workshop "How to make your own rope halter" hosted by Rita Wick. Sunday Nov. 18th 4:00 p.m. at the Extension Office, dinner will be provided by the host family. Following the workshop & dinner there will be a Horse Committee meeting.

This invitation is open to ANY current 4-H member!! If you are not a current Horse program member or Horseless Horse program member, Please RSVP to the extension office. This way we can provide the proper supplies and food for all attending.

Hope to see you there!!!

Congratulations!

The NILE 4-H and FFA Livestock evaluation contest was held in Billings on October 15, 2013. Rachael Oliver and John Helmuth competed on the senior 4-H team. Trey Schepens, Jenna Baxter, Jaylen Baxter, and Riley Kostelecky competed on the junior 4-H team.

Congratulations to the senior team for placing 8th both overall and in reasons. Individually, Rachael Oliver was 4th overall and 7th in reasons.

The junior team did well too, placing 7th overall and 15th in reasons.

Good Job to Both Teams!



WRLF

Join Montana 4-H as we welcome the Western Region Leaders' Forum to Billings in March 2014. Agents, staff and volunteers are hard at work planning a conference that will help you to "Discover the Past. Present. Possibilities of 4-H".

Participants will enjoy a first class conference facility and hotel accommodations, national speakers, local entertainment and over 60 informational workshops. WRLF is an exciting time to network with peers from across the region sharing ideas and building relationships to carry 4-H into the future. The dates of this event are March 27-30th, 2013.

Early Registration \$255
November 1- December 3, 2013
Regular Registration
January 1- February 15, 2013
Late Registration
February 16- February 28, 2013

Scholarships Available for First-Time WRLF Attendees!

The Montana 4-H Council is providing 40 scholarships for \$100 each to first time attendees from Montana to WRLF! To be eligible, your county must have paid dues to the Council for 2013-2014. A random drawing will take place with all applicants following the close of registration. To qualify, you must be a current adult 4-H volunteer who has completed WRLF registration, turned in a scholarship application (available at: <http://montana4h.org/#program:45>), and paid the registration fee. Awardees will be reimbursed following the forum. This is a great opportunity to come learn, laugh, and mingle with other 4-H adult and youth leaders from across all the western states!

"Teen Track" Available at 2014 Leaders' Forum

The teen track is an optional educational opportunity for youth ages 14-19 participating in Western Regional 4-H Leaders Forum. Participants must pre-register. Please choose TEEN TRACK when registering. There is no additional cost to participate. The schedule specific for the teens is detailed on the website. If there are no specific teen activities, then youth are expected to select workshops and participate in other activities with all the other forum participants.

For more information on WRLF visit the WRLF website www.wrlf2014.com



Leadership and International Opportunities:

Summer Outbound Travel

Travel dates: vary
 Ages: 14-19 (or 25+ for chaperones)
 Scholarship: 4-H Foundation – up to \$500
 Cost: varies by country
 Deadline: December 1, 2013 (delegates and chaperones)
 Application: www.montana4h.org

IFYE Travel

Travel dates: mid-June to Sept. or December
 Ages: 19-30
 Scholarship: Montana 4-H Foundation - up to 55% of total fee
 Cost: varies by country
 Deadline: December 1, 2013
 Application: www.montana4h.org

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)

Travel dates: June 8-14, 2014
 Ages: 15-19 (or 25+ for chaperones)
 Scholarship: Susan Dufner scholarship for one person 17+
 Cost: \$1500-\$1700
 Deadline: January 1, 2014 (delegates and chaperones)
 Application: www.montana4h.org
 More info: www.4hcenter.org

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) – NEW THIS YEAR!!

Travel dates: July 14-19, 2014
 Ages: 7-9 grade
 Cost: \$1500-\$1700
 Deadline: since this is a new program, the deadline is not fixed.
 More Info: <http://www.4hcenter.org/youth-conference-center-overview/educational-programs/leadership-washington-focus/about/>

National Conference

Travel dates: April 4-10, 2014
 Ages: 15-19
 Scholarship: 4-H Center provides partial funds for up to four to attend
 Cost: \$1500-\$1700
 Deadline: February 1, 2014
 Application: www.montana4h.org
 More info: <http://www.4-h.org/4-h-conference/about/>

