

STILLWATER COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

Happy Fall!

Can't believe fall is here already! I love seeing the beautiful colors that are out there and feeling the fresh, brisk autumn air. Hope you all are doing well and looking forward to another great year of 4-H. I know I am excited to meet all the new members and continue to grow my relationship with you all. As October is officially the start of the new 4-H year, I am needing to ask you all a few favors.

Do not forget to enroll or re-enroll in 4-H for the 2016-2017 year. We are trying to have you all enroll online this year. However, if you still wish to use the paper form, you may do so. Please be working on those and pay your dues to your club leader. They will then turn in the money (or one check) to the extension office. Leaders, please be sure to keep track of who has paid and who hasn't.

Leaders, I am also needing your clubs Year End Reports as soon as possible. The forms are online under the enrollment and forms tab. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Again, happy fall and I hope you all are doing well. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help you all or if there is anything you would like in the newsletter for future months.

Thanks, Ashley

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New Position!

We are looking for someone who is willing to be a co-treasurer for the 4-H council this year. This is Karen's last year as our 4-H Council Treasurer. We are greatly going to miss her and would like for someone to get some training from her before the next 4-H year begins. Please contact Mike Baker if you are interested at 860-7718 or the Extension Office at 322-8035.

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NOVEMBER 2016

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YOUTH UPCOMING EVENTS



National 4-H week is just about a month away, October 2-8, 2016, and is a great time to recognize all of the great work 4-H is doing in your communities. 4-H.org has a variety of different campaigns and recourse that can help start the conversation about what 4-H has done, is doing and will continue to do in the future.

These resources can be found on the 4-H Week Toolkit page and is a part of the Marketing Online Resource Center. <http://4-h.org/professionals/marketing-resources/4-h-week-toolkit/>

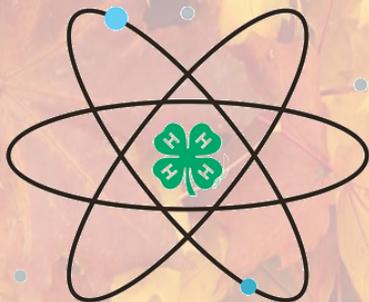
If you have not already created an account on the 4-H.org site you can quickly do so and gain access to many useful resources.

The attached PDF are slides from a National 4-H week webinar that was conducted and can be downloaded or just scroll through the informational slides. [Link to webinar here](#)

The National 4-H Week resources include:

- National 4-H week logo
- PSAs and radio ads
- Flyers and advertisements
- Photo frames
- Social media resources

The webinar and slides can help in deciding what to do with all of these great resources. One very exciting campaign is aimed at recognizing 4-H alumni throughout the community with the #4-HGrown social media campaign. Here is an example of a Facebook post, “*We are putting the spotlight on our 4-H Alumni. Share your #4-HGrown story this National 4-H Week!*”



2016 Ambassador Fall Training will be in BOZEMAN MT at the Hilton Garden Inn October 20-22.

The 2016-2017 State Ambassador Officer team is planning an exciting **Ambassador Fall Training**. The program will help provide the motivation and leadership skills you need to be the best ambassador and teen leader possible. The training will be three action-packed, fun-filled days and help you to...

Discover Your Element

Fall training is a chance to enhance your leadership skills, share ideas with other ambassadors across the state and get re-energized about 4-H. This training will be an exciting, hands-on experience which will teach you leadership and communication skills needed to be an active county ambassador.

Dates & Times:

Thursday, October 20 – Saturday, October 22, 2016 Registration will be from 4:30 – 7:00 pm on Thursday. A dinner buffet will be available on Thursday night from 5:30 – 6:30, during registration. We will conclude by 11:00 on

Saturday. A full schedule will be available shortly.

LOCATION & LODGING:

Hilton Garden Inn **Bozeman, MT** Lodging (4 to a room) is included in the registration fee.

PARTICIPANTS:

Each county may send any number of county Ambassadors and/or Teen Leaders, Key Leaders, 4-H

Volunteers or Extension Staff. Please remember that volunteer chaperones **MUST** be a certified 4-H volunteer. Youth must be 14 as of October 1, 2016

Online Registration and Cost: Registration DUE October 5. Registration fee is \$160 (\$215 for adults requesting a double room). Registration is online and can be accessed through 4honline. There are 4-H online registration instruction available on the 4-H website. <http://montana4h.org/#resource:4HOnline> click on “state event instructions”. There is a “registration worksheet” available to collect registration information.

Four County Offices:

Participants must be enrolled in 4honline for the CURRENT (2016-2017) 4-H Year by the date of this event for liability reasons. Enrollment can be entered beginning September 15th. Please be sure that media and code of conduct authorizations are updated.

If you are not able to complete enrollment by the October 5 deadline please mail or email the paper registration worksheet with payment to 4-H center by registration deadline. This will ensure they get registered for the event.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions regarding this process. bschomer@montana.edu or Catherine.schafer@montana.edu 994-3501

Mail to:

Montana 4-H Center For youth Development 210 Taylor Hall Bozeman, MT 59717

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Shotgun Qualifier Registration

Please note that the 4-H shotgun qualifier will be held in Billings on Saturday, October 8, 2016. This is the event that qualifies the top four shotgun competitors (ages 14 -19) as the Montana 4-H Shotgun Team for the National 4-H Shooting Sports Championships in Nebraska in June of 2017. To provide adequate practice and fundraising time, the 4-H shotgun qualifier is held in the fall rather than the spring immediately preceding the National Championships. Details and registration materials are included in the attached document.

Robotics

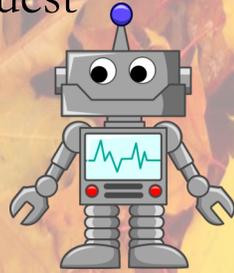
Special Guest

Saturday, October 15th, 2016

9am to 4 pm

Columbus Fire Hall

\$20 per kid



We are having a special guest from MSU Bozeman Extension come down and put on a workshop for our 4-Hers that are interested in robotics or are already enrolled in robotics. Please let Ashley know at the extension office if you are interested in attending as the spots may fill up fast.

Lunch and snacks will be provided.

If you have any questions please contact Scott Olson at 698-2586.

Keith Steinbeisser Judging Contest

This judging contest is open to all youth, including 4-H and FFA and we also will have an adult portion of the contest. The contest is October 9th at the Dynneson Feedlot in Sidney, MT. Registration will be at noon and the contest will follow. There is no entry fee for youth. If adults would like to judge there is a \$20 entry fee. We have great prizes for all age categories.

This event is sponsored by the MONDAK AG Days committee.

Attached on our website is a flyer for more information.

Rules of Kindness

GenerationOn, a partner with Points of Light, has launched a campaign called Rules of Kindness. Youth or groups of youth are encouraged to sign up on the website and create a kindness action plan. The campaign runs during Sept through mid-October and the attached documents include information about the campaign. There are social media messages in the toolkit. Use as you see fit.

But if you had the choice,
jack-o'-lantern or pie?



Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)

Who: 4-H members ages 14-19.

When: Requested June 10-17, 2017.

Cost: Approximately \$1600 per person

Scholarship(s): Susan Dufner for one person 17+ (amount varies annually)

Application due January 15, 2017 with a \$650 deposit

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF)

Who: 4-H members in grades 7-9

When: July 16-21, 2017

Cost: Approximately \$1,600 per person

Application due January 15, 2017 with a \$650 deposit

National 4-H Conference

Who: In-depth leadership conference for three (3) teens and one (1) adult chaperone

When: April, 2017

Cost: Sending counties usually provide funds for participants after the 4-H Foundation contribution is applied

Application due February 1, 2017.

Chaperones (25+) are needed for all of the citizenship programs. Application deadlines are the same for chaperones as for participants. Chaperones do not pay a fee (except for National 4-H Conference which is usually paid sending county).

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

Stillwater County News Subscriptions

For every 1 year subscription sold Stillwater County News will donate 20% to Stillwater County 4-H. This adds up fast! A \$44 subscription will raise \$8.80 for the club. In addition, for every 25 subscriptions sold. Stillwater County News will match/double the amount raised. That is \$440.

Please make checks payable to Stillwater County News. The form is attached on our website as well. Please let the extension know if you have any questions at all.



Stillwater
County **NEWS**

Western Livestock Reporter Subscriptions

WLR would pay us over \$15 per subscription. This option is only open to our county so we could sell state or nation wide!

There may be bonuses as well depending on how many we sell.

At the end of October when we collect all of the money, we will then just make one big check to WLR. Therefore please make checks payable to Stillwater County 4-H (Leaders Council).

The form is attached on our website. Please spread the word. If you have any questions, give the extension office a call.



WESTERN AG REPORTER

Stillwater County 4-H Leaders Council

The 2015-2016 Executive Officers have been elected. We would like to welcome our new Council Officers and wish them a fun and successful 4-H year!

President - Melissa Kramer, Vice President - Brian Young, Secretary - Tammi Kirch, and Treasurer - Karen Schott

Highlights from the Council Meeting...

Exchange members will be selling wreaths during October 2016. They will pick up their forms on September 25, 2016. Please support Exchange members by purchasing a wreath.

Jolene Degele will be taking over the Teen Leaders.

Jim Neifert attended the Leaders Council to share his goals of continuing to have Stillwater County attend 4-H camp at their facility (Beartooth mountain Christian Ranch). Jim discussed possible options, changes, and services offered such as busing local groups. The council felt at this time the budgeting committee needed to meet to discuss possible options and dollar amounts to bring back to the council to review at a later date.

Jolene Degele made a motion to sell Stillwater County Newspaper subscriptions to the public between October 1, 2016 to October 31, 2016. Each club would receive 25% of the number of subscriptions sales and the club with the largest number of subscriptions sales would receive an additional \$50. Karen Schott seconded the motion. Motion passes. Subscription information will need to be turned into the Extension Office the first week of November.

Nikki Markle and Linda Holmquist submitted a plan of action to rewrite the dog department classes for the 2017 fair book to align wording, etc. with other projects. At this time the council did not feel a motion was necessary and once changes are made a vote will be taken.

Chris Pearce submitted a plan of action to make fair book changes to include classes for Nigerian Dwarf Goats under Division 4, Jr Doe under 1, Sr Doe over 1, Jr Wether under 1 and Sr Wether over 1, Change Division 3 to read Dairy Goat, add a statement the "open flame fires are prohibited on the fairgrounds", and Department 2 #4 to change the wording to include "up to 5 animals may be entered in each division". Veronica Christensen made the motion to include the above statements and to add bull calf class. Wendy Reed seconded the motion. Motion Passes.

Chelsea Hoagland submitted a plan of action to include changes that clarify the timeframes of the silent auction to be included in the fair book. Jolene Degele made a motion on behalf of Chelsea's plan of action. Karen Schott seconded. Motion Passes.

Eve Brubaker and Emily Payne submitted a plan of action in which they would like to take out of the fair book that health inspections are required to show at fair and replace with more strict vaccination rules such as required verification that your horse has had a vaccination (i.e. four way) that will cover transferrable diseases. The office would be notified of vaccination rules and clinics to share amongst all members and verification must be provided prior to riding with the other members. Brent Shay seconded the motion. Option Passes.

Nikki Markle submitted a plan of action to give certificates to each member who scores a 24 or 25 on records or interviews at the fair. Currently, a 4-H member must obtain a 24/25 on both records and interviews in order to receive a certificate. A suggestion was also made that any member who receives a 24/25 on both be awarded an additional certificate. Nikki followed the submitted plan of action with a motion. Jolene seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Discussion was held amongst council members regarding which record book form was best suited for the members. Feedback included ease of use in PDF format. At the end the council members agreed that it was up to each member which form that they would like to use. Although all members are highly encouraged to use the state forms that are currently available on the Stillwater County Extension website.

Karen Schott and Lee Schmelzer briefly discussed the process for sale collection and management. Concerns included how to collect the money and get the kids paid earlier. Brian Young discussed the process used during the Carbon County 4-H fair used during the 2016 year. Brian stated that he believed that Rick Young and Sons Auctioneering had charged \$4/head sold at the fair. Brian stated that he would look into this some more and provide feedback at a future meeting.

Meredith Feddes made a motion on behalf of the Extension Office that no additions or corrections to entry forms will be made after the second deadline according to the fair book and entry forms. A member may scratch an entry but may not add. Jolene seconded the motion. Motion passes.

A plan of action was submitted to add classes and/or departments to the open class division. These could include but are not limited to general foods, baking, sewing, needle crafts or other FCS projects determined by the open class committee. The committee would include Lisa Terry, Tammi Kirch, Desarae Payne, and Lynn Phipps. Mike Baker made the motion in support of the above listed changes in the hopes of increasing interest in the open class division. Meredith Feddes seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Meredith Feddes gave a report back from the nominating committee to suggest the following individuals for officer positions to be voted on during the October 2016 meeting: Melissa Kramer (President), Brian Young (Vice President), Tammi Kirch (Secretary) and Karen Schott (Treasurer). It was also noted that this will be Karen's last year and they would like to have a co-Treasurer for training purposes. Suggestions made included Peggy Young and Mindy Young.

Lee Schmelzer reported back to the council that the 4-H Assistant position had been scratched from the county commissioners proposed budgets.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the Council Meetings. You are welcome to become a leader and be part of the voting process. Decisions are made by those who regularly attend meetings. Every club gets two votes. Next council meeting is October 19, 2016.

STILLWATER COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

<i>CLUB NAME</i>	<i>ORGANIZATION AL LEADER</i>	<i>PHONE NUMBER</i>	<i>MEETING DATE & TIME</i>	<i>LOCATION OF MEETING</i>
Beartooth Ramblers	Tammi Kirch	855-3839	1 st Monday at 6 pm	Columbus Fire Hall
Broadview Homesteaders	Mylo Lane Shelley Erickson	669-3156 667-2390	1 st Tuesday at 7 pm	Broadview Community Center
Johnny's Buckaroos	Melissa Kramer	322-5688	1 st Sunday at 5 pm (Call First)	West Annex Meeting Room
Molt Happy Helpers	Kris Krieger Christina Pierce	670-8985 669-3104	Call First-2nd Tuesday every other month at 6:30pm	Molt School or Molt Hall
Park City Wranglers	Reita Reiter Cathy Tebay	633-2076 633-2398	2 nd Monday at 6:30 pm	Park City Civic Center
Rapeljacks and Jills	Anna Schladweiler	663-2232	1 st Saturday at 9 am	Rapelje School-Shop Classroom
Rosebud Adventurers	Andrea Stampfel	322-4180	1 st Sunday at 5:30 pm (Every other Month)	Fishtail Community Center
Spring Creek Stockgrowers	Katrin Chandler Meredith Feddes	328-4253 547-4025	1 st Sunday at 4 pm	Spring Creek Community Center
Stillwater Ranchhands	Finis Sandlin	328-6277	1 st Monday at 6:30 pm	Nye Fire Hall
Stillwater Ridge Riders	Wendy Reed Jeanne Eaton	322-8421 209-4488	1 st Monday at 6:30 pm	Columbus Evangelical Church
Stillwater Sharp Shooters	Melissa Ranstrom Bobbi Schatz	290-4240 322-8583	2 nd Sunday at 3 pm	Little Stone Church