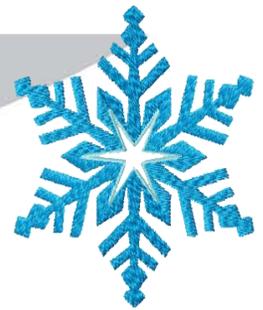




Lewis & Clark County 4-H Newsletter



**February
2016**

Council

I want to make sure that everyone knows that there is one proposal (below) that was presented to the Council and will be voted on at the **February 10th Council Meeting at 5:30 pm in the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building**. I want to remind everyone that this program is for our youth and their voice is the voice that truly matters. I am going to ask each of you to please contact me directly if you are concerned with the program or have a concern.

As always if you have questions contact David Hamilton at 431-1948 or email at davidhamilton431@gmail.com



Lewis & Clark County
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Club Discussion and Voting

Club votes will be recorded at the February 2016 Council Meeting. Clubs may send two representatives to cast votes. Club minutes should reflect the club's recorded vote and club minutes need sent to the Extension Office each month. Secretaries may include this form in the minutes.

Please send minutes to:
Lewis & Clark County 4-H Council
100 W. Custer
Helena, MT 59602

Outdoor Committee Proposal:

Contact: Overall Outdoor Superintendents with any questions or clarifications
David Hamilton: 406-431-1948
Sean Maharg: 406-443-7394

- 4-H Market Sale Percentage
 - Current wording: Page 36 of the Exhibitor's Handbook: Rules for 4-H Livestock Auction 1. Five percent (5%) of your sale price will be deducted to promote the 4-H Livestock Sale.
 - Proposed: For the 2016 Fair, on a one year trial basis, six percent (6%) of your sale price will be deducted to promote the 4-H Livestock Sale and support project activities throughout the year.
 - Club Vote: For Against

MSU Extension Update

Hello 4-H Families,

In 4-H we try to teach how to run a meeting, but we don't always follow strict Roberts Rule of Order. That would include things like opening and closing ceremonies. Strict order says no discussion can take place until a motion has been made. We often begin discussing a topic and then a motion emerges. This is okay to do in 4-H, but as a clarification we don't always follow strict Roberts Rule of Order, we all make mistakes and we want to help the members and kids feel comfortable in the process even when it's not perfect.

A great way to start to learn is a question by one of our own youth! How do you make a motion? The proper way to state a motion:

"I move..."

How are Motions Presented?

Obtaining the floor

Wait until the last speaker has finished.

Rise and address the Chairman by saying, "Mr. Chairman, or President."

Wait until the Chairman recognizes you.

Make Your Motion

Speak in a clear and concise manner.

Always state a motion affirmatively. Say, "I move that we ..." rather than, "I move that we do not.."

Avoid personalities and stay on your subject.

Wait for Someone to Second Your Motion

Another member will second your motion or the Chairman will call for a second.

If there is no second to your motion it is lost.

The Chairman States Your Motion

The Chairman will say, "It has been moved and seconded that we ..." Thus placing your motion before the membership for consideration and action.

The membership then either discusses your motion, or may move directly to a vote.



Upcoming Countywide Trainings and Workshops:

- ▶ Carcass Evaluation Training February 20, 2016

Rachel Endecott, MSU Extension Beef Cattle Specialist, is putting on the training. She has a wealth of knowledge to share!

Arrive in Butte between 9:30-10 AM at 17 West Quartz Street; Butte, Montana 59701

10 – 11 AM What to look for, Quality Grades, how are carcasses evaluated?

11:30-12:30 PM Ranchland Locker – Apply what you learned in the cooler!

Lunch on your own

Meet at Fairmont for an afternoon of swimming!

RSVP Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VKJDZ2G>

- ▶ Combined Marketing, PR, and Livestock Judging Workshops will be offered:

February 29, 2016 at 5:30 PM at the BHB – Beginning Concepts

March 23, 2016 at 5:30 PM at the BHB – Advanced Concept

Thank you for your time and dedication to the 4-H program and for helping 4-Hers develop valuable life skills!

Mary Meyer | 4-H and Youth Development Agent

COUNTY HAPPENINGS

4-H Camp

Save the date for 4-H Camp – June 21-24, 2016

Adults interested in attending and/or helping out with 4-H Camp, June 21-24, 2016, please contact Catherine at 439-8570. We are still in need of a lifeguard, and male chaperone.

Club Event

The Canyon Creek Stock 4-H Club will be holding their 12th Annual Sweetheart Spaghetti Dinner on February 6th from 4-7 pm at the Canyon Creek School. It is all you can eat for \$6 per adult and \$15 per family. There will be a bake sale, silent auction, chocolate fountain, and raffle. This year's raffle prizes include A Back Country Fishing Trip for 3 days/2 nights/3 people valued at \$1200, ½ Hog Cut and Wrapped, and \$100 mystery gift cards.

Demonstration Day

Demonstration Day is March 12, 2016 at Four Georgians School. Registration starts at 9:00 am. Registration form is on the 4-H website. Registration is due to the Extension Office on or before March 7, 2016. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Gransbery at 431-6784 or Les Gransbery at 431-4220.

Lewis and Clark 4-H Foundation

The Foundation is working on the annual Dream Big Raffle. We will have many items to win such as a fly fishing package, guns, camping and hunting supplies. The Foundation has approved new by-laws, and a copy is available on the website. We are working on getting our 501(c)(3) status to help benefit all of Lewis and Clark 4-H. Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 2nd at 5:30 in at the Extension office; you are all invited to attend. If you have questions please call Cody Mitchell @ 439-2709

Mini Rec Lab and Leaders College

See flyer at the end. Save the date to meet new friends and have fun January 30th!
For information and RSVP contact Catherine at 439-8570 RSVP Link:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TWMCVZW>

Leadership 101

Join us February 22, 2016 at 6 PM in the Extension Office.

4-H leadership 101 was created to include information from 4-H Leaders College, but mostly from the Leadership For Life classes I took. We have covered lots of great information; leadership problems that come from viewing people as objects not people usually because of self-betrayal, styles of leadership and how to deal with others whose style is different from ours, technical vs adaptive leadership, youth adult partnership, how to hold your teenager accountable (accountability is the fruit not the goal), 5 Dysfunctions of a team. Next month is Crucial Conversations. Due to the lack of participation this will be the last class.



However, if anyone is interested in anything on the outline we can set up classes in the future. Sandy Merchen 465-9364.

Building Committee

The building committee met to discuss the proposed ideas collected from the Foundation last year, which would have an affect the Bill Hamilton Building. There are some smaller scale projects that are within the budget for this year with some volunteered time from the 4-H community. The building committee is seeking individual members, clubs, or projects interested in devoting their talent and time to one or more of the following proposals...

1. Building a display case in the BHB to hold trophies and awards
2. Building a new podium for 4-H functions
3. Putting wheels on the risers used during fair in the indoor area

A big Thank You to **Action Fire Extinguisher Service** for servicing the fire extinguishers in the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building. We appreciate your support.



The building committee will provide the materials necessary; any interested individuals please contact Ken McNeil at mcneilkd@msn.com

As members of the 4-H community we are privileged to use of the Bill Hamilton Building for our projects and events, please help us maintain and improve this facility for future youth use by volunteering your time and talent.

INDOOR PROJECT INFORMATION

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Indoor	Superintendent <i>Dora Lindner</i> 406-475-3640	April 18, 2016 5:30 PM Extension Office	Fair Entry Form June 15, 2016
	Jr. Superintendent Please apply		

Our next meeting is planned for Monday, April 18th. Superintendents, thank you for all your hard work and dedication in helping 4-H being a successful program. Don't hesitate to call if you need any help with your project areas. Thanks, Dora.

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Cloverbuds	Superintendent <i>Dora Lindner</i> 406-475-3640	Feb. 17, 2016 5:30 PM – BHB	Fair Entry Form June 15, 2016
	Jr. Superintendent Please apply		



Our next workshop will be on Wednesday, February 17th. If you have any questions, please give Dora a call at 475-3640. Happy Valentine's Day

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Leathercraft	Superintendent <i>Kathy Edwards</i> 406-475-4972	First Tuesday of the month - BHB Sept. – May	Fair Entry Form June 15, 2016
	Jr. Superintendent <i>Kaitlyn Edwards</i>	4 PM – 5:30 PM	

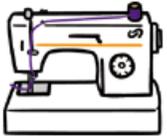


Ordering projects in December. Not taking any new students after the first of the year related to the inability to get projects completed before the last scheduled meeting in May 2016.

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Teen Leadership	Superintendents <i>Catherine McNeil</i> 406-439-8570	Feb. 21, 2016 4 PM, BHB	
	<i>Dora Lindner</i> 406-475-3640		

Teen Leaders – You are amazing kids! In January, a group of our teen leaders made 13 tie blankets that were donated to Shodair Hospital! Thanks for your hard work. In February our meeting time has changed! We will meet at the BHB on February 21 at 4 pm to paint 9” pots for the National Guard Ball. These pots will be used as centerpieces and giveaways. Please wear paint clothes. **Please RSVP** to Catherine at 439-8570 or Dora at 475-3640.

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Sewing & Handiwork	Superintendent	Feb. 21, 2016	Fair Entry Form
	<i>Janet Cerovski</i>	2-4 PM – Extension	June 15, 2016
	406-458-9450	Office	
	<i>Trudy Moffett</i>		
	406-799-3254		
	Jr. Superintendent		
	Please apply		



Sewing & Handiwork Workshop

Sunday, February 21

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Upper Conference Room

In addition to your sewing projects, Steve will be at the February workshop to instruct on what to have prepared for the March Fabric Bowl Workshop. I will have kits for the bowls available. Please practice with the zigzag stitch on your sewing machine by the March workshop. Bring extra machine needles (80/12 or 90/14) in case of breakage.

Minimum sewing supplies needed are:

- Scissors – preferably shears
- Dressmaker pins Seam ripper
- Pin cushion Measuring tape
- Seam gauge Marking pencil/pen

Mark your calendars for workshops:

March 13 – Fabric Bowl Workshop

April 10

May 15 – Fashion Revue

Knitting, crocheting and weaving assistance will be available too.

Sewing questions call Janet at 458-9450; knitting or crocheting questions call Trudy at 799-3254

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Robotics	Superintendent	March 24, 2016	
	<i>Michelle Ostberg</i>	7:00 PM, BHB	
	406-459-3543	March 31	
	Jr. Superintendent	April 21	
	Please apply	April 28	
		May 5	
		May 12	
		May 19	
		May 26	

Robotics workshops will be held in the Bill Hamilton Building from 5:30pm until 7:00pm on the following dates...

March 24, March 31, April 21, April 28, May 5, May 12, May 19, May 26

The project fee is \$10.00. Depending on how many members we have will depend on team sizes. If you have any question please feel free to contact Michelle at mostberg@bresnan.net or call/text 459-3543. I look forward to meeting everyone.

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Shooting Sports	Superintendents	Air Rifle – BHB	Tournament Info Below
	<i>Cody & Susan Mitchell</i>	Tues 6-7 & 7-8	
	406-439-3468	Archery – BHB	
	<i>c_s_mitchell@msn.com</i>	Thurs 5-6, 6-7,	
	Jr. Superintendent	& 7-8	
	<i>Austin Gransbery</i>		

Shooting Sports,

2016 Lewis and Clark County Invitational was a great success! Thank you to all the volunteers for your many hours of hard work. And congratulations to all the shooters! Some of you placed, some of you had your personal best, some of you didn't have your best day but you all got up on that line and gave it your best effort.

Tournaments continue all the way thru the first weekend in March. Air Rifle shooters be aware that this last shoot in Bozeman is the state qualifier for those interested in trying to make the Montana team to go to Nationals.

Tuesday March 8th and Thursday March 10th is the fair shoot for air rifle and archery respectively. There is no fee but will be shot just like a tournament. Come to your normal shooting time, and shoot a full round. Fair ribbons will be given at the awards banquet.

Family Fun nights will be March 15th and 17th.

The awards banquet will take place the following week - final date to be determined and will be announced in the March newsletter.

Thanks,
Susan and Cody Mitchell

Shotgun signups will be at 6:00 -7:30 PM Tuesday April 5th at the Bill Hamilton Building. Individuals must be at least age 9 before October 1, 2015.

The shotgun course consists of Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clays. The course is 15 weeks long. Shotguns are provided in 20gauge and 12gauge. Shells are also provided. A Safety Meeting will be held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday April 12th in the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building. This is a REQUIRED meeting. If you are using your own shotgun (must be 20gauge or 12gauge) bring it to the safety meeting for an inspection.

Cost includes the following charges: 4-H Shotgun Project Fee: \$50.00 for a single family member, \$25.00 each for the second or more family members.

Family membership to the trap club is \$50.00. Applications for Trap Club membership will be available at the signups.

All money must be in by April 18th. Shooting will start at 6:00 PM on April 18th at the Helena Trap Club

If you have any questions please call Scott Allen at 406-202-0905

Leader Training! See the registration form toward the end for March 11-12, 2016 in Conrad.

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Foods	Superintendent <i>Cheryl Richman</i> 406-227-2685 Jr. Superintendent <i>Please Apply</i>		Stirrups Contest Entries Due: Jan. 29 Contest Feb. 6, 2016 at 8:30 AM Helena Middle School Grand Foods Entries Due: Feb. 19, 2016 Event: Feb. 27, 2016

Stirrups

Calling all Senior 4-Hers...Stirrups will be held this year on February 6, 2015. This is a fun event for seniors (age 14-18) to show off your cooking skills. You do not have to be enrolled in the foods and nutrition program to participate. This year you will have a choice between two dishes (soup or pasta) that you can make and you will be able to incorporate a "secret" ingredient to see if you can stump the judges. Also, seniors keep in mind that this event can qualify you for congress. To sign up, fill out the sign-up sheet (found online under forms <http://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h/forms.html>) and review the rules.



Grand Foods

Juniors and Seniors..... Grand foods is here!!!! You do not have to be enrolled in the Foods and nutrition program to participate in Grand foods. Grand foods is a fun event that allows all participants to be artistic, creative and inventive. Grand foods will be held February 27, 2016 at the Bill Hamilton Building. Sign up for this event is due Friday, February 19, 2016. Please see the website for registration form with the detailed rules and information. Hope to see you all there for this fun event.



If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call Cheryl Richman – 227-2685 (after 4:30).

OUTDOOR PROJECT INFORMATION

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Outdoor	Superintendents <i>David Hamilton</i> 406-431-1948 davidhamilton431@gmail.com <i>Sean Maharg</i> 406-438-2647 mahargs@mt.net Jr. Superintendents <i>Kegan Brewer</i> <i>Kyler Maharg</i>	Feb. 8, 2016 5:30 PM BHB	Quality Assurance April 22, 6 PM BHB Animal Permission Form Due with enrollment Tagging Form – see animal Tagging Date – see animal Fair Entry Form June 15, 2016

Get involved! A big thank you to the Outdoor Livestock Committee members. These individuals volunteer many hours to support the youth in our community. Below is only a snippet of what each member does for our community, so take some time to give them a BIG thank you! Next outdoor meeting: February 8th, 5:30 pm at the BHB.

Committee on Market vs. Show: February 24, 2016 5:30 PM at the Extension Office

Roles and Responsibilities of Outdoor Project Superintendents

- Provide leadership and expertise in their project areas for 4-H members.
- Assist the 4-H member with developing their project(s), leadership, initiative, self-reliance, teamwork, sportsmanship and completing their project(s) to the best of their ability.
- Prepare the 4-H member for citizenship responsibilities by working together in groups and supporting community project and activities.
- Provide learning opportunities that educate and empower the 4-H member through a variety of means including workshops, meetings and trainings.
- Provide project expectations, guidelines, activity dates, milestone and deadline dates at the beginning of the project year. If dates are unknown at the beginning of the project year, Superintendents are encouraged to provide members with estimated timeframes of when events will be held.
- Communicate project updates and changes as needed to project members and Overall Outdoor Superintendent

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the project superintendent or Dave/Sean

Quality Assurance

Thank you to our 4-H youth for stepping up and making Quality Assurance more fun this year!

We need help putting on the April Quality Assurance Training! Youth **WILL** receive credit for helping put on the training which fulfills the requirement for three years. Junior Superintendents will be given the first opportunity to present.

All members who take a market animal project are required to take Quality Assurance to market their animal at fair. Quality Assurance is to assist youth in understanding their role as producers in the food supply chain and their responsibility to produce a safe food product while caring for animals in an ethical manner. Check with your club leader to find out if you are due to attend Quality Assurance this year.

Who: Anyone selling an animal that is new to the 4-H Livestock Sale or needs updated in their training requirement

What: Quality Assurance Training

Where: Bill Hamilton Building

When: Friday, April 22, 2016 6:00 pm

Contact: Mary Meyer mary.meyer@montana.edu or 406-447-8346

Sales Committee

As announced at the Outdoor Meeting, we will host a meeting to work on "splitting" up some of the many duties associated with the Livestock Auction/Sales Committee. If you would like to help please contact Karyn Hamilton at 406-461-7536

Host Locations Needed to Raise Animals

McDonald's of Helena would like to help NEW 4-Hers get into the 4-H Livestock Projects. Would you be willing to host a kid's animal at your home/facility? There are many more details to follow, but if you're willing to host let us know 406-447-8346 or mary.meyer@montana.edu

Helena 4-H Jackpot Show

Save the date: June 11 in the Multi-Purpose Building. Goats will be a new addiction to this year's jackpots with sheep, swine, steers and heifers. Contact: Jeff Patten 449-6947

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Goat	Superintendent <i>Karyn Hamilton</i> 406-461-7536 Jr. Superintendents <i>Josie Hamilton</i> <i>Dylan Maharg</i>		Quality Assurance January 3, 1 PM BHB April 22, 6 PM BHB Animal Permission Form Due with enrollment Tagging Form TBA Tagging Date TBA Fair Entry Form June 15, 2016

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Rabbit	Superintendent <i>Vanessa Olson</i> 406-431-1598 <i>Sheri Onstott</i> 406-431-1014 Jr. Superintendent	Feb. 22, 2016 5:30 PM BHB	Quality Assurance April 22, 6 PM BHB Animal Permission Form Due with enrollment Fair Entry Form June 15, 2016



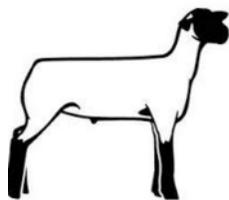
The next rabbit meeting will be February 22 at 5:30 in the BHB. Dr. Autumn Harris will be talking to us about rabbit health care, disease prevention and bio-security. We would like to thank Desiree Moffett and Abby Robino for their wonderful presentations on Jersey Wooly Breed in January and Rabbit Jumping and Racing in February.

We look forward to seeing everyone.

Please contact Sheri or Vanessa if you have any questions.

Sheri Nighthorse1970@gmail.com or Vanessa 2qtrcircle@gmail.com

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Sheep	Superintendent <i>Jeff Patten</i> 406-449-6947 Jr. Superintendents <i>Hannah Diehl</i>	March 19, 2016 1 PM, BHB	Quality Assurance April 22, 6 PM BHB Animal Permission Form Due with enrollment Tagging Form TBA Tagging Date May 1, 2016 Fair Entry Form June 15, 2016



Sheep Workshop Dates:

March 19, 1:00 PM - selection, feeding, caring and general sheep health workshop at the BHB. Lambs will be available for the kids to handle. Lisa Surber will be doing the selection workshop and Sherri Argento will be doing equipment and fitting demonstration.

May 1, 2:00 PM will be tagging and weighing of lambs in the back of the BHB

June 11 will be the Helena Jackpot Show at the Multipurpose Building

June 11 and 12 will be Big Sky Lamb Camp will be in the BHB and Multipurpose Building.

June 26, 2:00 PM Showmanship Workshop back of BHB

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Poultry	Superintendent	Feb. 21, 2016	Quality Assurance
	<i>Val Williams</i>	12:00 PM BHB	April 22, 6 PM BHB
	406-475-5345		Animal Permission Form
	<i>Nicole Newman</i>		Due with enrollment
	406-422-6136		Fair Entry Form
	Jr. Superintendent		June 15, 2016
	<i>Kaitlyn Edwards</i>		

Poultry meeting Feb 21 @ 12:00 BHBLDG bring a bird and topic for meeting will be medications (dewormers, poultry dust, what, when, where, and how)

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Dairy Cattle	Superintendent		Animal Permission Form
	<i>Marilyn deMontigny</i>		Due with enrollment
	406-227-5177		Fair Entry Form
	Jr. Superintendent		June 15, 2016
	<i>Please apply</i>		

Project	4-H Leaders	Project Meetings	Important Dates
Dog	Superintendent	See Below	Fair Entry Form
	<i>Karen Bratlien</i>		June 15, 2016
	406-459-3030		
	Jr. Superintendent		
	<i>Shea Sullivan</i>		

The project continues into February and March and fair is quickly approaching! You need to be working on your home work!

Agility Meetings Dates: February 5, 12, & 26; March 4, 11, 18, & 25 - Remember you must be actively participating in obedience to participate in agility.

Obedience Meetings Dates: February 6 & 13; March 5, 12, 19, & 20 - Sub-novice will start at 9 AM to 10 AM and Advanced Group will start at 10 AM to 11 AM. These dates will be the last of obedience as we will be moving onto Showmanship in April & May.

Please contact Karen with questions at eatnsleephorses@yahoo.com or 459-3030

Project	4-H Leaders	Project Meetings	Important Dates
Beef	Superintendent	Feb. 21, 2016	Quality Assurance
	<i>Shane Tamcke</i>	1 PM, BHB	April 22, 6 PM BHB
	406-560-5470		Fair Entry Form
	Jr. Superintendent		June 15, 2016
	<i>Cody Barnes</i>		

Beef Project Kids – Nice job with your steers so far. We saw a really nice set of steers weigh in on January and most kids led their steers easily onto the scale which shows the benefit of early work at home. Nice job!

A couple of items to plan ahead for - First, we will hold our first open scale night in early March to check in on weight gain progress. In the meantime, if you have any questions about your feed program or the progress of your steer, please give me a call to discuss.

On February 21st at 1pm we will hold a nutrition clinic at the BHB followed by a clipping clinic at 2pm at the back of the BHB. The nutrition clinic will be put on by Cash Yount and will be a great opportunity to learn about the nutrition needs during all development stages of your steers and heifers as you prepare for fair and breeding of heifers.

Also, steers and heifers are pretty well haired up this time of year and attending the clipping clinic will allow you plenty of time to practice clipping your animals at home after the clinic with lots of time for hair to regrow and practice again before fair. If you have any questions before this clinic please call me.

Shane Tamcke
 Beef Superintendent
 560-5470

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Swine	Superintendent <i>Dave Swanson</i> 406-475-9437	Feb. 13, 2016 2-4 PM, BHB	Quality Assurance April 22, 6 PM BHB
	Jr. Superintendents <i>Miranda Bragg</i> <i>Wade Bratlien</i>		Animal Permission Form Due with enrollment Tagging Form TBA Tagging Date TBA – April Fair Entry Form June 15, 2016

4-H market swine project members; we've scheduled another workshop on Saturday, the 13th of February from 2:00 – 4:00 pm in the Bill Hamilton Building. The guest speaker will be Cash Yount whose qualifications are:

Cash Yount is a Nutrition Consultant for CHS Nutrition. He lives in Deer Lodge, MT where he grew up as a 9 year member of 4-H. Cash served as a local Ambassador for his county and a State 4-H Ambassador for the 4-H year of 2006-2007. Cash serves Western Montana's ranchers and agricultural producers by assisting in diet formulation, forage analysis and enjoying their good coffee.

Cash has conducted over 50 Quality Assurance Meetings for local 4-H groups to help tomorrow's agriculturalists. In these talks, the group covers animal selection, feed selection as well and location management/housing etc. to ensure a quality product by fair time. Members will learn what is in feeds, what those ingredients are in feed and why they should take great pride in their projects.

I hope you can make it to this workshop, it should be very helpful and informative to seasoned 4-her's as well as first timers.

Call Dave Swanson anytime with questions. 459-3950 days or 475-9437 evenings.

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Livestock Judging	Superintendent <i>Georgana Webster</i> 360-319-2093	Feb. 29, 2015 5:30 PM, BHB	Idaho Judging Contest April 2, 2016, Moscow, ID
	Jr. Superintendent <i>Please apply</i>		Intermountain Livestock Judges Training May 12-14, 2016, Spanish Fork, UT

Combined with the Marketing Workshop, Livestock Judging Workshops will be offered:
 February 29, 2016 at 5:30 PM at the BHB – Beginning Concepts
 March 23, 2016 at 5:30 PM at the BHB – Advanced Concepts

Project	4-H Leaders	Next Meeting	Important Dates
Horse	Superintendent <i>Dawn Schneider</i> 406-458-4877	Committee Feb. 15, 2016 BHB 5:30 PM	Helmet Safety Video April 7, 6 PM BHB Fair Entry Form
	Jr. Superintendents <i>Sidney Gates</i>	Workshops See Below	June 15, 2016

Upcoming Events: E-mails will be sent out prior to the events with additional information. If you would like to be added to the e-mail distribution list, please submit an email to lc4horseproject@gmail.com. If we are 20° or colder we will not be riding. Watch Facebook and e-mails for cancellation notifications.

February 13 (Saturday) – Trail Obstacles. *** This is a NEW date*** due to arena rental conflicts, the date has been changed to the 13th. Please come during your appropriate Horsemanship Level as noted below. If you are going to be late, please send an email to lc4horseproject@gmail.com.

Level 1 & 2: 12-1:30

Level 3-7: 1:30-3

Yearlings: 3 -3:30

February 15 (Monday) ~ 5:30 – Horse Committee Meeting – Bill Hamilton Building

February 24 (Wednesday) ~ 5-7 – Ranch Horse Roping – Bill Hamilton Building – NO HORSES.
Bring your ropes and dummies if you have them. All members interested in Ranch Horse are encouraged to come.

February 27 (Saturday) ~ 3-5 – Ranch Horse Sorting Practice. This is an opportunity to learn how to work cattle with your horse.

April Events ~

-April 7 (Thursday) ~ 6-7ish – Helmet Workshop. Parents are asked to attend with their children. This will be offered only one additional time prior to the County Fair.

-April 17 (Sunday) ~ 12-3 – Riding Clinic & Assessments. Be sure to working in your Horsemanship Level Books. All members are required to bring their Horsemanship Level Books and Project Books to the ride in April!!!

-April 24 (Sunday) ~ 4-6 – Ranch Horse Sorting Practice

Project Requirement Reminders: Prior to participating in activities with your horse please make sure all of the following are in place.

-Member and parents have participated in the Helmet Workshop or viewed the Helmet video independently. Please be advised, if members are viewing the Helmet Video independently a fee of \$25 is assessed.

-The Assumption of Risk Waiver has been signed by parents and member.

-Members are enrolled in the 4-H horse project through the Extension Office or club leader

-Members have submitted the Horse Enrollment form and project fee to the Project Superintendent – this can be done the day of the clinic/open ride but no later than May 25th.

-Acknowledgment of Policy Manual must be signed and submitted to the Project Superintendent no later than May 25th. The updated manual is posted on the Lewis and Clark 4H website and can be printed at your convenience.

Horse Project Facebook and E-Mail:

Facebook: (<https://www.facebook.com/Lewis-Clark-County-4-H-Horse-Project>).

E-mail: lc4horseproject@gmail.com.

Pack Horse: We are looking for someone to head up the Pack Horse portion of the Horse Project. If you are interested in taking this on, or know of someone who would like to head this up, please contact Dawn Schneider at 458-4877.

Montana 4-H Center for Youth Development Update

Montana 4-H is looking for host families for 2016-2017 for the following programs:

- 1) Summer IB - Japan from July 21-August 19
- 2) Summer IB - Costa Rica from June 29-July 24*
- 3) Summer IB - Finland from June 29-July 24*
- 4) Summer IB - IPYA (International Program for Young Adults, formerly IFYE) – dates vary
- 5) Academic Year Programs (AYP)

Japan/Mexico from July 30, 2016 to June 19, 2017

-South Korea from July 30, 2016 to up to 10 days after the end of school in 2017

-FLEX from mid-July to late August, 2016 to mid-May to late June, 2017

*In order to host delegates from Costa Rica or Finland, Montana must have at least two host families so youth do not have to travel alone from the orientation in Washington, D.C.

To apply for Summer IB programs, go to www.states4hexchange.org/host-families/ to complete an electronic application.

To apply for IPYA or AYP programs, please contact the State 4-H office at 994-3502 or sdavison@montana.edu

Scholarships Available:

Each year the NILE touches the lives of nearly 10,000 youth through its many programs, events, "live" animal scholarships, and college scholarships. Every year the NILE provides over \$55,000 in cash and live animal scholarships.

The NILE Foundation was established in 2009 as a supporting arm of the NILE organization, which is dedicated to the promotion of livestock, agriculture education, and respect for the western culture.

Scholarship applications and guidelines can be found on the NILE's website, or by contacting the NILE Office at 406-256-2495. Applications must be in the NILE Office by Friday - March 11, 2016. Applications incomplete or late will not be considered. Scholarships will be awarded and announced in mid-April.



JANUARY 30, 2016

4-H MINI REC LAB

9:00 am -4:00 pm

How will You Benefit?

- ✓ Meet new friends from around Montana,
- ✓ Learn new games and activities you can teach later
- ✓ Learn how to write an effective resume
- ✓ Learn great tips on how to interview
- ✓ Learn how to prevent bullying behavior
- ✓ Learn the dos and don'ts of Social Media
- ✓ Two afternoon tracks – 11-14 years and 15-18 years
- ✓ ...Much more, but most importantly –
- ✓ **HAVE FUN!!!**

Dance Following at 4-H Building



For Registration Information, please contact:

Catherine McNeil @439-8570 or mcneilcb@msn.com

Lewis and Clark County 4-H <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TWMCVZW>

**Leader's College 1
Available for Adult
Chaperones**

Youth ages 11-17

**Meet Youth from
around the State**

**\$10 per person
Lunch provided**

**Join us at Helena
Middle School
1025 N Rodney**

Please RSVP!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TWMCVZW>

**LEWIS & CLARK
COUNTY 4-H
&
MONTANA NATIONAL
GUARD**

MONTANA 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER TRAINING

March 11-12, 2016, Conrad, Montana

Please return registration by March 3, 2016. Thank you!

Name _____ County _____ Phone _____

Address _____ E-mail address: _____

City, State, Zip _____ Gender: _____ Male _____ Female

Ethnicity: _____ Hispanic or Latino _____ Non-Hispanic or Latino

Race: Choose all that apply.

_____ American Indian _____ Alaska Native _____ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

_____ Asian _____ Black or African American _____ White _____ Other

Are you currently a 4-H Shooting Sports Leader? Yes No

Have you attended a 4-H Shooting Sports Training? Yes No

Are you at least 21 years of age? Yes No If no, birthdate: _____

Montana State University Extension encourages persons with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of special accommodations please indicate in the space below. If you have questions about the physical access provided, please contact the Montana 4-H Center at 994-3501 in advance of your participation or visit. _____

Please circle one (1) shooting sports discipline:

Rifle Archery Pistol Hunting Shotgun Muzzle-loading Coordinator

**A minimum of 3 participants per discipline is required to offer training in that discipline.

Prior to attending the shooting sports training, participants must contact their local County Extension Office and complete a short introductory quiz and bring it with them to the shooting sports training.

Registration Fees:

\$60 for 4-H shooting sports; includes lunch Saturday _____

\$25 for Junior leader (must be 14) _____

Check Number _____

Please make checks payable to: **Montana 4-H Foundation**

Please return registration and payment to: Scott Francis
Montana 4-H Shooting Sports Interim Coordinator
P.O. Box 220
Manhattan, MT 59741

County Agent Signature _____ Date _____

The Montana State University Extension Service is an ADA/EO/AA/Veteran's Preference Employer and Provider of Educational Outreach.

*Check the calendar on the website for additional events or changes.
 *BHB = Bill Hamilton 4-H Building on the Lewis and Clark Co. Fairgrounds

February 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jan 31 Sheep Workshop – 2 PM - Patten's Barn	1	2 Air Rifle 6 PM – BHB Foundation Meeting – 5:30 Extension Office Leathercraft – 4-5:30 PM - BHB	3	4 Archery 5 PM - BHB	5 Dog Agility	6 Dog Obedience -Stirrups Contest – 8:30 AM Helena Middle School -Sweetheart Spaghetti Dinner – 4-7 PM, Canyon Creek School
7	8 Outdoor Meeting – 5:30 - BHB	9 Air Rifle 6 PM – BHB	10 4-H Council Meeting – 5:30 PM - BHB	11 Archery 5 PM - BHB	12 Dog Agility	13 Dog Obedience Horse – Trail Obstacles Swine Workshop 2-4 PM – BHB
14	15 – OFFICE CLOSED Horse Committee Meeting 5:30 PM – BHB	16 Air Rifle 6 PM - BHB	17 Cloverbuds 5:30 PM - BHB	18 Archery 5 PM - BHB	19 Grand Foods Entries Due	20 Carcass Evaluation Training – Butte – RSVP link on PG 2
21 Poultry Workshop 12 PM BHB -Beef Mtg. 1 PM BHB -Sewing 2-4 PM – Extension Office -Teen Leader Meeting – 4 PM BHB	22 Leadership 101 6 PM – Extension Office Indoor Mtg 5:30 PM Extension office Rabbit Meeting 5:30 PM - BHB	23 Air Rifle 6 PM - BHB	24 Horse – Roping, 5-7 PM BHB Outdoor Show vs. Market Committee 5:30 PM Extension Office	25 Archery 5 PM - BHB	26 Dog Agility	27 Grand Foods – 9 AM Check In – BHB Horse – Sorting Practice
28	29 Marketing, PR, Livestock Judging Workshop – 5:30 PM - BHB	March 1 Leathercraft 4 PM - BHB Air Rifle 6 PM - BHB	March 2	March 3 Archery 5 PM - BHB	March 4 Dog Agility	March 5 Dog Obedience