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Congratulations

to the following Sanders County 4-H members:

Demonstration Results

Top Junior Demonstrators

*1st - Martin Wroblewski
Bethany Burk, Ben Croft,
Jack McAllister*

Top Senior Demonstrators

*1st - Anna & Madeline Snell,
2nd— Joshua Wulfekuhle
3rd- Elsie Brown
4th—Abby Croft
5th—Mahala & Marsada Sweet*

Top Seller of Fruit & Flower Bulbs

Alexis Helterline is the only member out of the county who sold at least \$520 worth to qualify her for the Top Seller bracket. She sold \$589 worth of fruit & flower bulbs. Great job Alexis!! She will be receiving a gift certificate to Subway for her efforts.

4-H Congress



We are currently looking for senior members (age 14+ as of Oct. 1, 2014) interested in joining the 2015 Gavel Games Team, WHEP Team, Livestock Judging Team, Horse Judging Team, or Horse Skill-A-Thon contests. The teams will compete with teams from around the state at Montana 4-H Congress July 7-10 in Bozeman. If you are interested please contact the Sanders County Extension Office at 827-6934. Members need to send a letter of interest to the Extension Office by **May 15**. Letter of interest may be found at:

<http://www.msuextension.org/sanders/documents/4-H/Letters%20of%20Interest/Congress%20Ltr%20of%20Interest%202014.pdf>



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Save the Date!

**Montana State 4-H
Leader's Forum**

**October 2 - 4, 2015
Havre, MT**



Join District 2 for 4-H Leadership on the Hi-Line!



**MONTANA
STATE UNIVERSITY**

EXTENSION

April

Grace Horton	2
Ariel Sprecher	2
Tyler Neal	5
Lindsay Burgner	6
Brody Black	8
Lauryn Aldridge	8
Jayden Velez	21
Liam Pallister	21
Natalee Deschamps	25
Claire McAllister	27
Elena McAllister	27
Aaron Collins	28
Cody Hansen	28

Happy Birthday



May

Madelyn Grieco	6
Austin Goble	9
Holden Torgerson	11
Linda Schimming	12
Noah Hathorne	14
Chloe French	15
Ariana Wood	17
Sage Jackson	18
Sydney Jackson	18
Alan Chojnacky	19
Kale Crain-Morefield	19
Genevieve Deschamps	24
Josey Neesvig	27
Anthony Jones	28
Anthony Neal	31

* Sorry if we missed your birthday.
 Dates are taken from your enrollments.
 Please let the Extension Office know of any corrections.

4-H Mystery at the Lake

Ages 6-8



June 5, 6 & 7, 2015
 Darrell Fenner 4-H Camp · Loon Lake · Ferndale
 Share in the exciting experience of
 Cloverbud Camp with your child!
 Youth camper must be accompanied by a
 parent or guardian to Cloverbud Camp.

Camp registration is due May 29 at the
 MSU Lake County Extension Office
 Contact Sanders County Extension for
 more information and/or check your email
 for the registration filer sent to you.



Swimming
 Canoeing
 Games
 Crafts
 Family time
 Hike

2015 Swine and Sheep Tagging Information

Due to concerns regarding the PED virus, there will not be a centralized swine tagging again this year. Designated taggers will be traveling around the county and tagging swine on-site, using every precaution to minimize the risk of an outbreak. Those designated individuals will be responsible for photo-documenting each swine once it has been tagged, and submitting the tag information and photo to the Extension Office. The deadline for the swine tagging will be Monday, June 15, 2015. Please watch for emails pertaining to scheduling your swine to be tagged.

Sheep tagging will take place on Saturday, June 7, 2015 at the Sanders County Fairgrounds in Plains. Please watch for update emails.

If you have any questions please call the Sanders County Extension Office at 827-6934.

4-H Shooting Sports Camp

\$60/person

Maximum \$175/family
 (Immediate family members only)

Includes lodging, Meals, equipment, range fees & more

May 15, 16 & 17, 2015
 Loon Lake 4-H Camp



Something for all:

**Air Rifle
 Archery
 Shotgun
 Fishing
 Boating
 Crafts**

Registration is due May 1 to Lake County Extension
 Fee: \$60/person, maximum \$175/family

For registration form and more information contact Sanders County Extension or check your email.

Watch for Multi-County 4-H Camp Registrations

Multi-County 4-H Camp will take place June 16-19 at the Darrell Fenner 4-H Camp on Loon Lake near Bigfork. Youth ages 8-12 (on October 1, 2014) are invited to participate as campers. The fee for the camp is \$130, the 4-H Council pays \$40 toward the cost of camp for members who presented a demonstration.

Also Watch for Jake Legard Camp Scholarship Applications.

The Multi-County 4-H Camp Registrations will be accompanied by the Jake Legard Memorial Camp Scholarship applications. Up to two full camp scholarships will be awarded in Jake's memory. These scholarships are made possible by a scholarship fund established by Jake's family. The scholarship application is also available online at

[http://www.msuextension.org/sanders/documents/4-H/Camps/Jake%20Legard%20Memorial%20Camp%20Scholarship%](http://www.msuextension.org/sanders/documents/4-H/Camps/Jake%20Legard%20Memorial%20Camp%20Scholarship%20Application.pdf)



Congratulations People Partner Grant Recipients!

This year the Whitepine Happy Workers were awarded a \$150 People Partner Grant to supply covers for salad bars in schools. The People Partner Grant Program awarded 14 grants which will benefit 11 Montana counties. Congratulations to the Whitepine Happy Workers 4-H Club. Thank you for your efforts to improve your community!

Planning a fundraiser this year?



Consider snow cones and/or popcorn. The Sanders County 4-H Council rents out the machines through the Extension Office. Be sure to reserve your date by calling the Extension Office!



4-H Fair Entries ONLINE!!

We're excited to announce that this year 4-H fair entries will be available ONLINE!

We've transitioned to FairEntry, a sister company to 4honline, which we're using for our 4-H enrollment program. FairEntry promises to be user-friendly. It will provide everyone the opportunity to enter in the fair from anywhere with internet access, even from your phone! Watch for more information in the 4-H Dispatches and email messages this summer.

Fair Dining Hall Work Schedule

All 4-H families are reminded to sign up for a shift to work in the 4-H Dining Hall during the fair. Please return the sign-up sheet included in this mailing to the Extension Office **by May31**. If you wish to sign up online, an email will be sent to 4-H families to access the link.

Check the fair schedule provided in this mailing and remember to check sports schedules, church schedules, etc. your family members may be involved in prior to filling in your top three choices of shifts to work. Revenue from the dining hall goes to the Sanders County 4-H Council which provides funds to members and leaders for various 4-H educational events.

National Volunteer Week

April 12-18, 2015

The 4-H programs work due to the efforts of volunteers. Whether you are a volunteer leader, a demonstration judge, a parent, or involved in another way. **YOU** make 4-H happen! Thank you to all of our volunteers.



Thank you for your support of the Sanders County 4-H program throughout the past year. You make 4-H possible!

Dates to Remember 2015

April

- 10-16 National 4-H Conference – National 4-H Center, Chevy Chase, MD (<http://4hconf.4-h.org>)
- 12-18 National Volunteer Week
- 20-21 Refinish pavilion floor—Help please!!
- 25/26 Multi County Camp Planning and Counselor Training
- TBA Fashion Revue/Patchwork Parade
- 27 Livestock Committee Meeting—6:30-FSA Building– Plains
- 30 Blackfoot Grant Application Deadline

May

- 1 State 4-H Award Applications Due
- 1 Registration for Shooting Sports Camp at Loon Lake due in Lake County Extension
- 15-17 4-H Shooting Sports Camp at Loon Lake, Ferndale, MT
- 15 Letters of interest for congress due in Extension Office for Gavel Games Team, WHEP Team, Livestock Judging Team, Horse Judging Team, or Horse Skill-A-Thon contests
- 17 Multi County Camp Planning and Counselor Training
- 18 Livestock Committee Meeting—6:30-FSA Building– Plains
- 29 Registration for Cloverbud Camp due in Lake County Extension Office
- TBA Swine Nutrition Workshop
- 31 Fair Dining Hall shift sign up due in Extension Office



June

- 1 Market Swine tagging will begin—will be done at members residence by Livestock Leaders
- 2 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – State Building – Thompson Falls
- TBA Congress orientation meeting
- 5-7 Cloverbud Camp at Loon Lake
- 7 Market Sheep tagging – Fairgrounds in Plains
- 6-13 Citizenship Washington Focus - Washington DC (www.citizenshipwashingtonfocus.org)
- 13 Fashion Revue/Patchwork Parade
- 15 Deadline for market swine tagging
- 15 Congress registration due to State Office
- 16-19 Multi County 4-H Camp
- 22 Livestock Committee Meeting—6:30-FSA Building– Plains

July

- 1 Project Add/Drop Deadline
- 5-7 Pre Congress – Bozeman – MSU Campus
- 7-10 4-H Congress – Bozeman – MSU Campus
- 27 Livestock Committee Meeting—6:30-FSA Building– Plains

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August

- 4 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – State Building - Thompson Falls
- 24 Livestock Committee Meeting—6:30-FSA Building– Plains
- 29 Fair Readiness Day

September

- 3-6 Sanders County Fair
- 16 Member record books Due to Club Organizational Leader
- 16 Outstanding Member County award nominations due to member's respective Organizational Leader
- 28 Livestock meeting– 6:30pm – FSA Building, Plains

October

- 1 Record books to be considered for awards due in Extension Office
- 2-4 Montana State Leadership Forum - Havre
- 6 Council meeting
- 26 Livestock meeting
- TBA Fall Ambassador Training
- 31 Club Treasurer's Books to be turned into Council Treasurer for Year End Audit





SANDERS COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

April 7, 2015



Meeting was called to order at 6:40pm.

Members present were Tammy McAllister (president), Carrie Guenzler (vice president), Carmen Jackson (treasurer), Traci Salmi, Jason Badger (extension agent), Malcolm McDonald (livestock committee chairman), Sarah Naegeli (secretary) and Meghan Phillippi (extension agent).

Minutes were accepted as presented.

A brief **treasurer's report** was presented. Profit at the fair kitchen and fruit sales was down.

Correspondence was received from the Montana State Horse show. A motion was made to sponsor the horse show for \$50. Motion passed. A thank you was also received from Josey Neesvig for sponsoring her trip to legislative breakfast in Helena.

Old Business

Ambassadors were considering applying for a Blackfoot Grant.

Claire McAllister attended **Rec Lab** with Meghan and had a great time.

Fruit and bulb sales are down slightly this year. We might look at improving some aspects of the online sales for bulbs next year.

Demonstrations went well; numbers might have been down slightly this year. Guidelines for demonstrations are being worked on at the office. This information should be ready to hand out to all members next year.

The **livestock committee** is hoping to update the lighting in the beef barns. Three of five judges are confirmed. Sheep tagging will take place June 7 in Plains. A team will go around Sanders County to tag swine and photo document this by June 15.

The **pavilion floor**, which was last refinished in 2007, will be refinished in April. Volunteers will be greatly appreciated.

Online FairEntry program is going well. Members are encouraged to enter online as much as possible.

New Business

Whitepine Happy Workers received a **People Partner Grant**.

There were two applicants for the **4-H scholarship**.

Nothing is scheduled yet for the **Fashion Revue and Patchwork Parade**. Plans are still progressing to combine with Lake County. We will need to decide on our senior members attending congress in these events before this will take place. Motion presented to have Sarah Naegeli and another leader (possibly Shirley King or Kay Perrin) judge the senior quilts and sewing by the beginning of May and recommend congress participation. Motion passed.

Shooting Sports Camp will take place May 15-17.

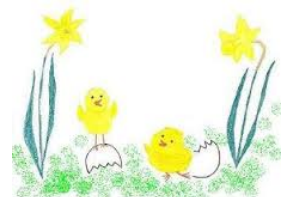
Multi County Camp will take place June 16-19. It now costs \$130 to attend. Sanders County has four **counselors helping to plan and lead this camp**.

Cloverbud camp is June 5-7.

Josh Wulfekuhle, Abby Croft, Elsie Brown and Mahala and Marsada Sweet earned a trip to **state congress** with their demonstrations. Letters of interest for the other events will be due by May 15th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,





Sanders County 4-H Livestock Committee

Minutes for March 23, 2015 · 6:30pm at the FSA Building, Plains



Attendance: Jason Badger - MSU Extension/Sanders County Agent; Ryan Burk – Swine Superintendent; Carmen Jackson – Treasurer; Stacy Torgerson – Vice Chair

Minutes of Previous Meeting: No quorum; Tabled until April meeting

Treasurer's Report: Current Balance of \$3,384.68

Agenda Review: No additions

Old Business:

Market Animal Processing for 2015: Clark Fork Meats will process all 2015 market animals as no other processor had the room or would return phone calls.

Updating lights in additional barns: Ryan will get bids on updating light in both beef barns (separate bids).

Livestock Quality Assurance: Jason reported the March 1st class was very educational and seemed to be well received. It is mandatory for all livestock members and will be enforced in Sanders County beginning next year. Certifications will be held in different locations around the county each year and we will look into offering two certifications each year if possible.

Ruminant Feed/Nutrition Workshop: Dan Lucas put on a very informative presentation on March 19th. Only 6 members and 4 parents attended.

Sheep/Swine Tagging Reminder: Sheep tagging will be June 7th in Plains. The deadline to have swine tagged and photographed is June 15.

New Business:

Re-finishing steps on Crow's Nest: Jason will check with Nancy.

Pavilion Floor: Re-finishing the Pavilion floor is scheduled for April 25th.

Swine Feed/Nutrition Workshop: Will be held in June, but a date has not yet been selected.

Species Reports

Beef: None

Horse: Absent

Poultry: Absent

Rabbit: Absent

Sheep/Goat/Llama: Absent

Swine: None

Next regular Meeting: Monday, April 27, 2015 at 6:30pm, FSA Building, Plains

SANDERS COUNTY 4-H



4-H FAIR SCHEDULE 2015

WEDNESDAY, September 2

1:00 p.m. Begin delivering/checking in 4-H animals (large & small) Market Animal Weigh-in conducted upon arrival. This will be the sale weight.

5:00 p.m. 4-H Horse Interviews

5:30 p.m. 4-H Llama Interviews

6:30 p.m. 4-H Sheep Interviews

6:30 p.m. 4-H Goat Interviews

7:00 p.m. Deadline for all animal deliveries (large & small)

THURSDAY, September 3

4-H market animal pictures will be taken after each respective show

9:00 a.m. 4-H Horse Show

9:00 a.m. 4-H Sheep Show

10:00 a.m. 4-H Beef Interviews

10:00 a.m. 4-H Dairy Interviews

1:00 p.m. 4-H Swine Interviews

1:00 p.m. 4-H Rabbit Interviews

1:00 p.m. 4-H Poultry Interviews

1:00 p.m. Interview judging begins for all 4-H exhibits entering in the Home-Ec building

1:30 p.m. 4-H Goat Show

2:30 p.m. 4-H Llama Show

6:00 p.m. 4-H Dog Shows

Following Dog Shows - 4-H Dog Interviews

FRIDAY, September 4

4-H market animal pictures will be taken after each respective show.

6:00 a.m. 4-H Silent auction begins in Pavilion

9:00 a.m. 4-H Swine Show

1:00 p.m. 4-H Rabbit Show

3:00 p.m. 4-H Cat Show & Interviews

4:00 p.m. 4-H Poultry Show

SATURDAY, September 5

4-H market animal pictures will be taken after each respective show

10:00 a.m. 4-H Beef Show (Market Beef & Beef Breeding)

11:30 p.m. 4-H Dairy Show

1:30 p.m. 4-H Large Animal Round Robin Showmanship – (Horse, Beef, Sheep, Swine & Dairy - 4-H Show Arena)

2:30 p.m. 4-H Small Animal Round Robin Showmanship – (Dog, Rabbit, Poultry, Goat, & Cat - 4-H Show Arena)

5:00 p.m. 4-H Livestock Superintendents' Meeting

6:30 p.m. 4-H Awards Presentation for Home -Ec Building entries in the Pavilion

Patchwork Parade/Fashion Revue in the Pavilion (following the Awards Presentation)

SUNDAY, September 6

9:30 a.m. 4-H Awards Presentation - 4-H Show Arena

10:00 a.m. Market Stock Sale

2:00 p.m. 4-H Silent Auction ends

6:00 p.m. - Begin removing exhibits from buildings (Do not remove exhibits prior to this time.)

MONDAY, September 7

8:00 a.m. Delivery of market stock

TBA. Deadline for pens & barns to be cleaned



Animal Interviews

All members with animals report to the appropriate barn for their animal interviews at the time listed above. Members may draw numbers for the interview order. This helps prevent members from having to wait in long lines and free them to take care of other much needed 4-H business (like interviews in the Home-Ec building, participation of another animal show, etc.).



SHIFTS

Wednesday

1:00 pm ~ 4:00 pm

Thursday:

6:00 am ~ 9:00 am

8:30 am ~ 11:30 am

11:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

1:30 pm ~ 4:30 pm

4:00 pm ~ 7:00 pm

6:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Friday:

6:00 am ~ 9:00 am

8:30 am ~ 11:30 am

11:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

1:30 pm ~ 4:30 pm

4:00 pm ~ 7:00 pm

6:30 pm ~ 9:30 pm

Saturday:

6:00 am ~ 9:00 am

8:30 am ~ 11:30 am

11:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

1:30 pm ~ 4:30 pm

4:00 pm ~ 7:00 pm

6:30 pm ~ 9:30 pm

Sunday:

6:00 am ~ 9:00 am

8:30 am ~ 11:30 am

11:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

1:30 pm ~ 4:00 pm

3:30 pm ~ 6:30 pm

PLEASE SIGN-UP FOR SHIFTS TO WORK IN DINING HALL AT THE FAIR

Return to: Sanders County Extension Office, 2504 Tradewinds Way Suite 1B, Thompson Falls, MT 59873 - by May 31st
Or this form may be submitted online. To access the link, an email will be sent to 4-H families with the link.

4-H Family of _____

[Please, remember to consider your fair judging schedules, sports, school & church schedules, etc. when choosing shifts.]
Remember, the sooner you sign up, the more likely you are to receive your preferred shift. Just in case your first choice is not available, be sure to fill in your second & third choices, too.

Member Name: _____

Day/Shift Time: _____

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd Choice

Member Name: _____

Day/Shift Time: _____

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd Choice

Member Name: _____

Day/Shift Time: _____

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd Choice

Member Name: _____

Day/Shift Time: _____

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd choice

Parent participation is extremely important in the success of this fundraiser!!!

Thanks for your willingness to share your time & efforts with the youth of Sanders County!

Parent Name: _____

Day/Shift Time: _____

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd Choice

Parent Name: _____

Day/Shift Time: _____

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd Choice

4-H families who do not sign up will be assigned to a shift where participants are needed.

We know records books can be intimidating. We want to help. *Part III*

In the last two issues of the Dispatch we discussed the paperwork you need for your records, goal setting, and how to keep financial records. We know that is a lot of information, and hope that it has been helpful as you strive to keep complete 4-H records.

This month we will be discussing how to record what you have been up to in your project. This fits into the *What I did – What I learned* section.



Learn by doing.



In 4-H we learn by doing. No one expects you to get everything perfect the first time you do it, but we do expect that you learn from your experiences. Some of the greatest lessons can be found in failures rather than successes.

What do you need to record? We know that it is not realistic for you to record absolutely EVERYTHING you do in your project work. That said, it is important that you record a lot of what you do in your project. In addition to recording what you did, it is especially important to record what you learned. Sometimes what you learn might seem little and not important, but it really is worth recording. If you need help figuring out what you are learning through your projects, talk to your parents or 4-H leaders. They will be able to help you identify what you are learning.



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Mary Jane's Market Sheep:

Date	What I did—What I learned	
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April 26: Picked out my market lamb from Ewe-topia Sheep Farm. Last year my lamb had a short loin. This year I handled all of the lambs and picked the one with the longest loin who seemed to be the most complete.

May 9: With Mom's help I set up my lamb pen. It is bigger than last year's pen because this year my brother will have a lamb too.

May 9: We bought Baa Baa Lamb Feed so we are ready when we get the lambs tomorrow! I called the Sheep Farm and got my lambs weight, so I know how much I will be feeding him.

May 10: Picked up my market lamb (Edgar) and brought him home. Edgar and my brother's lamb like their pen!

May 11: The lambs have settled into their pens. I fed Edgar grain and hay and gave him fresh water in the morning and at night. It is important that he be fed regularly and have fresh water so he

Notice that Mary Jane made an entry that she picked out her market lamb and picked it up. Sometimes members forget to mention that key part of their animal project—getting the animal! Another item that gets left off is the daily feeding and watering of your animal. No, you don't need to make daily entries about feeding your animal, but you should mention it in the beginning, then anytime that you make changes in what is being fed, or the routine. As you spend time with your animal, break him/her to lead and practice showing, you should record these activities.

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Billy's Cooking 101:

Date	What I did—What I learned	
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January 18: I did the experiment in 4-H Cooking 101 about measuring flour. I learned that sifted flour takes up more space than regular flour. Even though it can be messy, if a recipe calls for sifted flour, I better sift it or it might not turn out right.

February 1: I made the Mexican Layer dip for my friends who came over for our Super Bowl Party. It is good right after it is microwaved, but I learned that it is harder to eat when it gets cold. I decided it would be better to make some up ahead, but not microwave it until we are ready to eat it.

February 21: I made Carol's Oatmeal Muffins from Cooking 101. My family and I didn't really like them, so I am looking for other Oatmeal Muffin recipes. I will make a different recipe and see if I can find one I like better.

February 22: I made Applesauce Cinnamon Oat Muffins from a Taste of Home Recipe I found. We all like it much better than Carol's Oatmeal Muffins. These muffins have more flavor because of the cinnamon, and cinnamon/brown sugar topping.

Notice that in each of these entries Billy described what he learned, not just that he had made the food. Whatever your project, it is appropriate to record your activities, whether they be research, attending workshops, working with a leader, physically working on your projects or anything else that you might do.