



# Fallon-Carter County 4-H News

2009 January/February

## CARTER COUNTY 4-H FUN DAY AND ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

**The Carter County 4-H Fun Day** will be held **Friday, January 9** at the Carter County High School Tuggle Room beginning at 2:30 pm. Fun Day is open to all youth in grades K-6<sup>th</sup> and features fun activities and crafts. All older 4-H members and youth are encouraged to attend and help lead the workshops

**The Carter County 4-H Achievement Night** will be held **Friday, January 9** at the Carter County High School Tuggle Room. A potluck dinner is scheduled to begin at 6:00 pm with the presentation of 4-H awards to follow. This year's Achievement Night theme will be "Ready-Set-Go Green!". Everyone is encouraged to attend!

## CARTER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The Carter County 4-H Council will meet Friday, **January 9, 2009** following the Achievement Night program in the Carter County High School.

Please come and help complete the Carter County Committee list with names of 4-H leaders and members, hold election of officers and examine the constitution.

## Montana 4-H



Nico Cantalupo  
County Extension Agent

Sharon Schwartz  
Extension 4-H Assistant

Please go to our Extension website

<http://www.falloncounty.net/extensiondw/index.html>

MEETING MINUTES \*  
EVENT REGISTRATION  
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AND MUCH MORE.....

**"Ready-Set-Go Green"**



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**The following is a directory of your Fallon and Carter County 4-H programs. If wish to have your views and concerns known, please contact the people in the appropriate areas.**

**CARTER COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM**

**Current Carter County 4-H Ambassador Program**

Senior Ambassador	Leva Bonsell
Junior Ambassador	Emma Guyer
Ambassador Key Leader	Sharon Schwartz

**Current Carter County 4-H Council Officers**

President	Mikel Fruit
Vice-President	Gail Brence
Secretary	Cynde Cole
Treasurer	Sharon Higgins
4-H Foundation Rep	Sharon Higgins

**Current Carter County 4-H Club Organization Leader/Club contact**

Prairie Pals	Gail Brence
Country Kids	Ronda Bonsell
Gumbo Gophers	Sharon Higgins
Shooting Stars	Dane Castleberry
Cactus Kids	Thebea Thomas
Puptown Wranglers	Mikel Fruit

**Current Carter County Committee Chairmen**

Livestock contracts	Llane Carroll
Scholarship	Sharon Higgins
Congress/Ambassador selection	Thebea Thomas
Joint 4-H/FFA	Michelle Keith
Trophy	Sharon Higgins
Calendar	Sharon Higgins
Budget	Executive Committee

**FALLON COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM**

**Current Fallon County 4-H Ambassador Program**

Senior Ambassador	Regan Walker
Junior Ambassador	Tina Koenig
Ambassador Key Leader	Jule Walker

**Current Fallon County 4-H Council Officers**

President	Roddy Rost
Vice-President	Penney Kono
Secretary	Jessica Dinardi
Treasurer	Tom Sparks
4-H Foundation Rep	Tom Sparks

**Current Fallon County 4-H Club Organization Leader/Club contact**

Country Pals	Faye Koenig
Red Butte Ramblers	Carol Sparks
Fertile Prairie	Marvel Murphy
Tumbling Tumbleweeds	Jennifer Dukart
Outlaws	Penney Kono
FC Shooting Sports	Penney Kono
Country Cousins	Roy Rost

**Current Fallon County Committee Chairmen**

Livestock	Mark Kirschten
Publicity	Tina Koenig
Foundation	Tom Sparks
Fruit Sales	Faye Koenig
Scholarship	Wanda Pinnow
Food Booth	Jolinda Allerdings & Toni Reetz
Fair Awards	Promise Miller
4-H Fun Day	Penney Kono
Fair Revisions	Promise Miller
Congress Selection	Penney Kono
Special Awards	Carol Sparks

Sharon will be in the Ekalaka Extension Office the 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month.
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## 2008-2009 FALLON COUNTY MARKET STEER TAGGING

The market steer ownership deadline has been changed to February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. The following list of requirements that you will need to follow in order to show and sell a steer at the 2009 Fallon County Fair;

- You must pick up your steer ear tag at the extension office before end of business on **February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:00pm** (we always use the next business day if the deadline falls on a weekend) each member may tag a maximum of two steers, including your alternate
- You must have turned in your enrollment form and be signed up for "Market Beef"
- You must give us a description of your steer; i.e. angus X, Hereford X
- You must have completed a 4-H journal from the previous year, unless you are a first time market steer member
- Family alternate steers must be tagged and can be used by any family member regardless if they are tagged 4-H or FFA,
- You must designate which organization you are showing your steer under when you pick up your tags

Please note your tags must be picked up by **February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, in order to show and sell a steer at the 2009 Fallon County Fair. Please call the Fallon/Carter County Extension office if you have any questions.

## CLOVERBUDS

The 2009 Fallon County Cloverbuds will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of January through May. Each youth enrolled in the Cloverbud Project will receive a letter with all of the details. These meetings will be held in the library basement from 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm.

## FALLON CO. ANIMAL POSSESSION DATES

Market Beef	February 1
Horse	May 1
Rabbits & Poultry	July 1
All other animals	June 1

All Fallon County Youth enrolled in a Market Project and/or Horse Project, must contact the Extension Office prior to the possession date.



## AREA LIVESTOCK JUDGINGS

**Ag Days Livestock Judging**  
**January 10, 2009**  
**Sidney, MT**

**Black Hills Stock Show Youth Contest**  
**January 31, 2009**  
**Rapid City, SD**

**Cowtown Beef Breeders Livestock Judging**  
**February 6, 2009**  
**Miles City, MT**

**DSU Roughrider Judging Contest**  
**February 7, 2009**  
**Dickinson, ND**

Contact your Fallon/Carter Extension Service for more information and/or registration forms to these area judgings.



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## 4-40-400 CHALLENGE

The Montana 4-H Foundation is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2009. Their purpose is support to statewide 4-H Programs and projects. They disperse about \$100,000a year in support of statewide efforts.

They are issuing a challenge to members, clubs and counties. The challenge is for every member to donate \$4, every club to donate \$40 and every county to donate \$400.

Be creative in your thinking. It doesn't need to come from your budget. Unique ideas will be published in the newsletter for others to read about.

## JANUARY MEETING DATES FALLON COUNTY 4-H

**Fallon County Livestock Committee**  
**Wednesday, January 14, 2009**  
**Fallon County Courthouse**  
**Basement conference room**

**Fallon County 4-H Council**  
**Wednesday, January 21, 2009**  
**Fallon County Courthouse**  
**Basement conference room**



## CARTER CO. ANIMAL POSSESSION DATES

Market Beef	January 1
Horse	May 1
Rabbits & Poultry	July 1
All other animals	June 1

All Carter County Youth enrolled in a Market Project, must call the Extension Office prior to the possession date with an identifying tag number and a description of their animal.

## USED 4-H PROJECT MATERIALS

If you have any 4-H project books that are not being used and have not been written in, **PLEASE** return them to the Extension Office. We can re-use them to help keep costs down.

## PEOPLE PARTNER GRANTS

People Partners is a program that offers financial support to groups and individuals to work with people. Its' purpose is to provide incentives and financial support to programs that will enhance the quality of living for people in a community.

Now is the time to begin making plans and discussing this at your 4-H Club meetings. Application forms are available at your Extension Office. These applications are due in the State 4-H Office on or before **February 1, 2009.**

2009 4-H REC LAB IS BEING  
HOSTED BY OUR DISTRICT 8  
AND WILL BE MARCH 20-23,  
2009 IN FORSYTH, MONTANA



2009 4-H HORSE AND  
LIVESTOCK LEADERS FORUM.  
February 27 - March 1, 2009  
Joliet, MT



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## 3 POSITION AIR RIFLE CMP INDIVIDUAL SANCTIONED MATCH

LOCATION: FALLON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS EXHIBIT HALL, BAKER, MT

DATE: JANUARY 24, 2009

SPONSOR: FALLON COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

EVENTS: 3 X 10, 3 POSITION, INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

TIME SCHEDULE: 9:00 AM REGISTRATION, 10:00 AM 1<sup>ST</sup> RELAY STARTS

EQUIPMENT CLASSES: SPORTER CLASS COMPETITION

COMPETITION OPEN TO: ALL 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS MEMBERS

RULES: ALL GUN SAFETY RULES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. ALL CLUBS MUST HAVE 1 CERTIFIED SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER PRESENT. THE NATIONAL STANDARD 3 POSITION AIR RIFLE RULES APPLY. BRING YOUR OWN SAFETY GLASSES. PELLETS WILL BE SUPPLIED. YOU WILL USE 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB RIFLES SPORTER CLASS ONLY. NO PRECISION AIR RIFLES ALLOWED.

AWARDS: CERTIFICATE OF ACHEIVEMENT RIBBONS TO ALL PARTICIPANTS. GOLD, SILVER OR BRONZE MEDALS TO PARTICIPANTS WITH A SCORE OF 200 OR HIGHER.

RANGE LOCATION: FALLON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS EXHIBIT HALL. GO APPROXIMATELY 1 ¼" MILES ON HWY 7 SOUTH FROM THE 4-WAY STOPLIGHT ON MAIN STREET IN BAKER. EXHIBIT HALL IS ON EAST SIDE OF HIGHWAY.

ENTRY FEE: RSVP BY JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> -\$10.00 PER PARTICIPANT, AFTER JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> - \$15.00 PER PARTICIPANT. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS. LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.

HOW TO ENTER: SEND RSVP'S TO SHARON SCHWARTZ/ FALLON COUNTY EXTENTION OFFICE.PLEASE CALL SHARON WITH ANY QUESTIONS: 778-7110

ACCOMODATIONS: SAGEBRUSH INN: 778-3341  
ROY'S MOTEL: 778-3321  
MONTANA MOTEL: 778-3315

OTHER: FREE WILL DONATION FOR LUNCH. SHOOTER WILL NEED MEDICAL RELEASE AND CODE OF CONDUCT WITH THEM. FEEL FREE TO CONTACT MIKE STARK: 588-3861, DAVE KONO: 778-2414, OR MIKE KIRSCHTEN: 778-3270 WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

## 4-H LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST

The theme for the 2009 4-H Legislative Breakfast is Ready-Set-Go Green! Our emphasis at the breakfast will be on visiting with the legislators about:

- How 4-H gets youth ready to learn about Citizenship, Leadership, Healthy Living, and Technology.
- How 4-H prepares youth to grow and excel in these areas, and
- Presentation of Terra Pod projects designed by 4-H'ers.

The Legislative Breakfast will be held **January 20, 2009 from 6:30 am to 7:30 am** at the Red Lion Colonial Hotel in Helena.

All 4-H youth interested in attending, need to contact the Extension Office by **December 1, 2008**.

## 2009 MONTANA 4-H CITIZENSHIP SEMINAR

The 2009 Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar is scheduled for **March 1-3, 2009** in Helena, Montana. This CIA (citizenship-in-action) event is designed to educate, inspire, and showcase outstanding Montana youth as they learn and experience the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

To participate, you must be a registered 4-H member, must be 14 years of age by October 1, 2008 and have not previously attended any Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar.

Each county will be allotted two delegates. Registration deadline is **February 1, 2009**. For more information and/or registration forms, please contact your Extension Office.



## The 4-H Pledge

I Pledge  
My Head to Clearer Thinking  
My Heart to Greater Loyalty  
My Hands to Larger Service  
And My Health to Better Living,  
For My Club,  
My Community,  
My Country,  
And My World...



## 2009 CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS

Take your 4-H experience to another level through Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), a six-day intensive summer citizenship program for youth age 14-19. CWF delegates learn about the democratic process and their role as citizens while they experience our nation's capital. Get the inside scoop about how government really works from prominent guest speakers. College-age program fellows lead bill writing workshops, a national issues forum and mock elections and congressional sessions that prepare you for leadership now and in the future. This Washington experience will also include a cultural evening and visits to monuments and museums.

CWF is scheduled for **June 7-13, 2009**. Applications are due **February 1, 2009**. The cost is usually about \$1700 due in two payments. The Susan Dufner scholarship (\$750) is available to one individual age 17 or over meeting the criteria.

For more information and/or applications, please contact your Fallon/Carter Extension Office.



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**Volunteer, Help make the decisions, Make a difference!!**  
***Please volunteer for a committee on or before the January 4-H Council Meeting.***  
**2008-2009 CARTER COUNTY 4-H COMMITTEES**

**1. Livestock Contracts Committee:** Go over livestock contracts. Take applications and decide to whom the contracts should be awarded. Applications should be postmarked on or before April 15, 2009. Committee to select recipients: (3 leaders)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Scholarship:** Take applications from graduating senior 4-H members and approve awarding of the scholarship. Committee to meet before graduation, 2009. This committee is a set committee with one new member each year: 1. Noralla Thomas 2. Sandra Butler 3.

**3. Congress Selection:** Following member requirements, contest area qualifications, and using member applications: committee will select 4-H members to attend 4-H Congress at MSU for 2007. Deadline for applications is All Events Day. Committee members are not to be parents of Congress eligible members.

(Sharon Schwartz, Nico Cantalupo, and four leaders)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Budgeting:** To compile a budget for the Carter Co. 4-H Council for the 2008-2009 4-H year.  
Executive Officers: 1. Gail Brence 2. Mikel Fruit 3. Sharon Higgins 4. Cynde Cole

**5. County Events:**

Fashion Revue Host =Carter Co_____	Date =	TBA
Communications Host = _____	Date =	
4-H Foods Festival Host = _____	Date =	
Livestock Judging Host = _____	Date =	
Range Fun Host = _____	Date =	

**6. 4-H Members of the Joint 4-H/FFA committee for 2008-2009:** This committee will work with the FFA appointees in matters concerning 4-H and FFA jointly. One of these is organizing the livestock sale at the fair, and appointing a social hour committee. ( Sharon Schwartz, Nico Cantalupo, 3 members, and 3 leaders) (FFA representatives)

Leaders: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ (Pam Castleberry)

Members 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Trophies:** Decide what kind of trophies to give and what areas to give them in. Plan and collect money for them. FFA will be asked to put two members on this committee. ( Sharon Schwartz, Nico Cantalupo)

Leaders: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Members 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**8. Calendar:** To collect needed data and organize calendar sales. Order new calendars.

1. Sharon Higgins 2. Mardee Guyer 3.Thebea Thomas

## 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### January 2009

- 1 Market Steer possession date for Carter County 4-H members wishing to enroll in the Market Steer Project
- 1 All Carter County members wishing to take the Market Beef project must be enrolled in it by January 1, 2009
- 9 Carter County 4-H Fun Day
- 9 Carter County 4-H Achievement Night
- 9 Carter County 4-H Council Meeting
- 10 Ag Days Livestock Judging in Sidney, MT
- 10 Early bird registration due for the 3 Position Air Rifle Match
- 13 Fallon County Cloverbud Meeting
- 14 Fallon County Livestock Committee Meeting
- 20 4-H Legislative Breakfast
- 21 Fallon County 4-H Council Meeting
- 24 3 Position Air Rifle CMP Individual Sanctioned Match in Baker, MT
- 27 Fallon County Cloverbud Meeting
- 31 Black Hills Stock Show Youth Contest

### Fallon & Carter Counties

### February 2009

- 1 Last date for 4-H members to turn in their 4-H Journals to the Fallon/Carter Extension Office to receive credit for the 4-H year 2007-2008
- 1 Registration deadline for Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar
- 1 Applications due for Citizenship Washington Focus (June 7-13, 2009)
- 1 People Partners Grant applications due
- 1 Fallon Co. Market steer ownership deadline
- 6 Cowtown Beef Breeders Livestock Judging
- 7 DSU Roughrider Judging Contest
- 10 Fallon County Cloverbud Meeting
- 24 Fallon County Cloverbud Meeting
- 25 Opening day of the 2009 Western Regional 4-H Leaders' Forum
- 27 MT 4-H Horse and Livestock Leaders Forum

### March 2009

- 1-3 Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar
- 20-23 2009 4-H Rec Lab in Forsyth, Montana

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