



Fallon-Carter County 4-H News

July - August
2008

CARTER COUNTY DAYS OF '85 FAIR & RODEO

The theme for the 2008 Carter County Days of '85 Fair and Rodeo is "Welcome To Our Zoo". This theme will be for the fair parade as well as on the Carter County fairgrounds.

FALLON COUNTY FAIR

The theme for the 2008 Fallon County Fair and Parade is "A Fair To Remember".

This theme will also be used by the youth exhibits in the livestock barn and should result in many fun creative entries and displays.

FAIR BOOKS

If you have not done so already, please stop by your Fallon/Carter County Extension Office and pick up your new 2008 Fallon County Fair book and/or your new 2008 Carter County Fair book

These fair books are also available from your county fair secretaries.



Montana 4-H



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<http://www.falloncounty.net/extension/dw/index.html>

Click on 4-H in the upper left hand corner



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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	None
Junior Ambassador	Leva Bonsell
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	None
Ambassador Key Leader	Jule Walker

Current Fallon County 4-H Council Officers

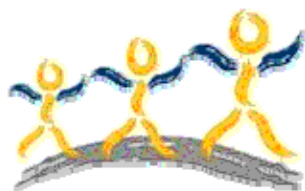
President	Norton Walker
Vice-President	Penney Kono
Secretary	Faye Koenig
Treasurer	Tom Sparks
4-H Foundation Rep	Tom Sparks

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	Wanda Pinnow
Outlaws	Penney Kono
FC Shooting Sports	Penney Kono
Country Cousins	Roy Rost

Current Fallon County Committee Chairmen

Livestock	Promise Miller
Publicity	Regan Walker
Foundation	Tom Sparks
Fruit Sales	Faye Koenig
Scholarship	Carol Sparks
Food Booth	Toni Reetz
Fair Awards	Promise Miller
4-H Fun Day	Penney Kono
Fair Revisions	Promise Miller
Livestock Sale	William Sparks
Special Awards	Carol Sparks



Youth Starts with You

Sharon will be in the Ekalaka Extension Office the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month.



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SMALL PROJECTS JUDGING

The 2008 4-H Small Projects Judging will be held Monday, **July 14, 2008** at the Baker Senior Citizens Center. Registration will begin at 7:00 pm to be immediately followed by the judging contest. This COUNTY EVENT is being hosted by the Tumbling Tumbleweeds 4-H Club.

All Fallon County 4-H members need to participate in a county event to be eligible to exhibit in the Fallon County Fair. Contact your Fallon Carter Extension Office to check if you have completed a county event for this year or if you still need to attend one.

FALLON COUNTY MEETINGS

Fallon County 4-H Livestock Committee Meeting

Wednesday, July 16, 2008

5:15 pm in the basement of the courthouse (this meeting is being scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday because of youth attending 4-H Congress the 2nd Wednesday in July.)

Fallon County 4-H Council Meeting

Wednesday, July 16, 2008

7:00 pm in the basement of the courthouse

Please mark these dates on your calendar!

2008 BADLANDS CLASSIC OPEN LIVESTOCK SHOW

Bowman County Fair
July 13, 2008
Bowman, ND



4-H HORSE PLAYDAY

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Located in the indoor arena on the Fallon County Fairgrounds.

Registration begins at 5:00 pm

Horse Playday is a
COUNTY EVENT!

All Fallon County 4-H members need to participate in a county event to be eligible to exhibit in the Fallon County Fair. Contact your Fallon Carter Extension Office to check if you have completed a county event for this year or if you still need to attend one.

Contact your Extension Office at 406-778-7110 for rules, entry forms and/or more information. Entry forms will also be available on our web site at <http://www.falloncounty.net/extensiondv/index.html>



4-H AND SCHOLASTIC INVITATIONAL TRAP SHOOT

The Fallon County 4-H Shooting Sports program will be hosting its 2nd annual 4-H and Scholastic Invitational Trap Shoot on **July 26, 2008**.

Contact your Extension Office at 406-778-7110 for rules, entry forms and/or more information or visit our web site at <http://www.falloncounty.net/extensiondv/index.html>



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CARTER COUNTY FAIR IMPORTANT NOTE:

Only Carter County members will be allowed to exhibit in the 4-H and FFA market animal classes in Department AP.

Page 9 of the Carter Co. 2008 fairbook:

OPEN CLASS

Please note that OPEN CLASS market divisions are open to both non Carter County 4-H & FFA members & Carter County 4-H & FFA members. The same animals may be used in the open & 4-H & FFA market divisions. Premiums for these divisions will be 1st \$25.00, 2nd \$15.00, 3rd \$10.00, Blue \$7.00, Red \$4.00 and White \$2.00 (Danish System). You must sign up for these divisions! No one will be allowed to enter at the time of the show.

Department A – Division 1A – Class 1 =
Market Beef

Department A – Division 8A – Class 1 =
Market Lamb

Department A – Division 9A – Class 1 =
Market Swine

BILL OF SALES

All **Carter County** Market Beef members are required to have a bill of sale turned into Sharon Schwartz at the time your market steer is weighed in at Carter County Fair grounds in **Ekalaka**.

All **Fallon County** Market Beef members are required to have a bill of sale turned into Sharon Schwartz the time your market steer is weighed in.

Bills of Sale will be available at the scales during the fairs.

CARTER COUNTY FAIR ENTRY GUIDELINES

Both Carter County and Fallon County 4-H members can enter the Carter County Fair. Members are asked to turn in their entry sheets by **6:00 pm Wednesday, Aug 6** to your Carter County Fair Secretary. Members will pick up entry tags and find out your exhibitor number from the Fair Secretary. Write your age, project level, year in project and year in this level on the tag or on the peel & stick label.

Read your fair book to find a judging schedule for the various projects. There will be no interviews this year on your 4-H non-livestock fair exhibits. Beef Animals may be tied with a neck tie in the Cattle Barn if you deem necessary.

All Carter County Market Animals receiving a ribbon in Market Classes will be allowed to sell at the Livestock Sale, regardless of ribbon color earned. All Market Beef are required to have a bill of sale turned into Sharon Schwartz at the time the animal is weighed.

Any member entering Open Class Livestock, must turn in an entry sheet before the fair. 4-H and FFA exhibits are not eligible to be entered into Open Class with the exception of the market animal classes.

The Carter County fair board is looking for sawdust for bedding. Please contact your fair secretary with any questions or suggestions. Please show them your gratitude by saying thank you if you see them or sending them a note.

Please indicate on your entry blanks, pens and/or stalls and how many you will need for your animals you will be entering in both 4-H and Open Class.



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SHOWMANSHIP

All Fallon and Carter County 4-H members entering showmanship and winning, are eligible to advance on to the Round Robin Showmanship. The two top showmen in each category will be asked to advance on to the Round Robin, thus creating a more accurate competition for the top livestock showman

4-H REGIONAL SMALL ANIMAL JUDGING DAY

Prairie, Custer and Garfield Counties have cooperatively planned a Regional Small Animal Judging Day for dog, rabbit, poultry and cat projects. The judging day will take place on **Wednesday, July 30th** at the fairgrounds in Miles City. 4-H members from across Southeastern Montana are invited to exhibit their small animals. Contact your Extension Office at 406-778-7110 for rules, entry forms and/or more information.

PROJECT LABELS

Fallon and Carter County Fair Indoor Project exhibitors, be sure to fill out labels which have a blank for your age, project level, and the number of years you have been in the project level. This is a sample label:

Age _____ Project Level _____
Year in Project _____
Years in Level _____

The label should be placed on the back of your entry tag. Several labels for each fair exhibitor are enclosed in your Fair Packet. If you need more labels, contact your Extension Office.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

The Eastern Montana Fair in Miles City hosts a Champion of Champions Show during their fair. Entries must have received the champion ribbon or best of class blue ribbon at their local fair in certain classes to be entered in the Eastern Montana Contest.

Entries must be filed with the Miles City fair office by 3:00 pm on Thursday, August 21.

One champion, reserve, blue, red, and white ribbon will be awarded in each lot. Premiums will be champion \$5, reserve \$4, blue \$3, red \$2, and white \$1.

Your 4-H Assistant will contact you if your local fair entry is eligible for this contest and offer to deliver your entry to Miles City for you if you wish to take advantage of this opportunity.

CATS & DOGS

All cats must be on a leash or in a carrier. Members must attach a current vaccination record of your cat to your fair entry form.

All dogs must be on a leash. Members must attach a current vaccination record of your dog to your fair entry form if you have not turned one into the Extension office by fair time.

SHIRTS AND PANTS

Your Fallon/Carter Extension Service has pairs of black pants and white shirts for you to have/use. Please ask before purchasing these items just for the fair.



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LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS TREATED TO BREAKFAST

This year, Equity Cooperative and CHS Nutrition of Baker will again sponsor a breakfast for Fallon County Fair 4-H Livestock Exhibitors and their families on **Saturday, August 16**. Tickets for Fallon County 4-H and FFA members can be found in your Fair Packet and can be presented at the 4-H Food Booth in the Livestock Pavilion from **6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** Carter County 4-H and FFA members exhibiting livestock in the Fallon County Fair, who do not receive tickets in their fair packet, need to contact Sharon Schwartz for their tickets.

Each ticket is good for a breakfast comprised of pancakes, sausage, eggs and your choice of coffee or juice which is furnished by Equity Co-op Association and CHS Nutrition of Baker. **Remember to thank them for their support of 4-H and FFA.**

FOOD BOOTH REMINDERS

1. Wear gloves
2. Do not take money torn in half
3. Do not handle money then food without washing your hands
4. Do not fill coolers with ice
5. Help would be appreciated on Sunday afternoon
6. Please show up for your scheduled shift or find a replacement

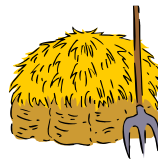


FAIR ENTRY FORMS

When you turn in your entry form it will be considered complete. If you are unsure if you will exhibit in a certain class, please write it down anyway. It can be scratched but not added on later.

Carter County fair entry forms are due into the Carter County Fair Secretary's Office on or before **6:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 6, 2008.**

Fallon County Fair entries are due into the Fallon County Extension office on or before **5:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 6, 2008.** All livestock exhibitors must complete the arena user release and return it with your entry form to exhibit a live animal at the Fallon County Fair this year.



HERDSMAN AWARDS

Carter County

Herdsmen awards will be given to the top individual youth who exhibit outstanding care of their project animal and their stall during the Carter County Fair.

Fallon County

Herdsmen awards will be given to the 4-H Clubs or FFA Chapters who exhibit outstanding care and an eye catching display of their club's livestock entries in Horse, Beef, Sheep, Swine and Goat during the Fallon County Fair.



CARCASS DATA

Every effort will be made to gather the carcass data on every market steer possible. This data will then be sent into the state and entered into the Steer of Merit competition, if the member is up to date on the Market Quality Assurance program.

Please note that all 4-H and FFA Market Steer slaughtered more than five days after the close of the fair, must be re-weighed. **The last date to grade carcasses and have data eligible for any state competition is August 29, 2008.**

FAIR AWARDS CEREMONIES

Carter County A special awards ceremony will be held in the show arena on the Carter County Fairgrounds beginning at **1:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 10**. All 4-H and FFA members receiving fair trophies and awards will be recognized at this time with the exception of the Herdsman Awards which will be announced later Sunday afternoon.

Please note that the Carter County Birthday calendar picture will be taken just prior to this awards ceremony.

Fallon County This special awards ceremony will be held north of the livestock barn on the Fallon County Fairgrounds beginning at **11:30 am on Sunday, August 17**. All 4-H and FFA members receiving fair trophies and awards will be recognized at this time. The ceremony will be moved inside if the weather is bad.

SILENT AUCTION

New event for the Carter County Fair Open to all 4-H, FFA and FCCLA Indoor Exhibits

Items for this event will need to be identified on the entry form. Write the words Silent Auction Item after description of item.

Entries for this event will be entered in the fair as you would normally, receiving ribbons and premiums. Items will be identified by a colored and numbered card attached to the entry tag.(the colored/numbered card will be furnished and attached by fair officials).

The bidding will be in increments of \$1.00 and the highest bidder at the end of the auction will take home the item after payment.

The auction will run from **8:00 am Friday until 6:00 pm Saturday**. Items may be paid for and picked up after 5:00 pm Sunday.

ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP TIMES

Carter County

Set to follow the Carter Co. Fair Beef Show **Saturday morning at about 11:00 am.**

Fallon County

Scheduled to begin at **8:00 am on Saturday morning** of the Fallon Co. Fair.



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JOURNALS

Fallon County 4-H members are required to turn in their journals to their Extension Office on or before **Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at 5:00 pm** to be eligible for project completion discs and project awards.

Carter County 4-H members are required to turn in their journals to their Extension Office to be reviewed for county awards and completion of the 4-H year. (**September 18, 2008 by 1:00 pm**)

Remember, journals must be turned in for you to receive credit for the 4-H year. (last date to receive credit for the 4-H year is October 1, 2008.

FALLON COUNTY 4-H PROJECT AWARDS

All members wishing to apply for a 4-H project award must complete an application and return it to the Fallon/Carter Extension Office on or before 5:00 pm Wednesday, **September 10, 2008.**

This year you have another option in applying for a county project award. You may contact your Fallon/Carter Extension Office either by phone or in person on or before 5:00 pm Wednesday, **September 10, 2008** requesting an interview on your project/s. Interviews will be held prior to **September 19, 2008** with schedule being made when number of applicants is known.

KAREN LOSING MEMORIAL

The Karen Losing Memorial recognition will be given to one Fallon County 4-H boy and 4-H girl. Each club will submit the name of a boy and a girl who has experienced "Hard Luck" during the year. The clubs must write a paragraph explaining each nomination's "Hard Luck". Consider the 4-H member's work for the entire year. Nominations are due in the Extension Office on or before **September 1, 2008.**



RODEO QUEEN CONTEST

The Baker Cowbelles invite you to enter the 2008 Fallon County Fair Rodeo Queen contest to be held on the Fallon County Fairgrounds. The candidates will be competing for prizes and prestige. Awards will be given to the Queen and 1st runner up from the 13 to 19 age group, the princesses and 1st runner up from the 8 to 12 age group, highest horsemanship score, and Miss Congeniality.

This contest is open to anyone living in a surrounding county. The Queen and the Princesses are required to ride in the Grand Entries and in the fair parade.

For further information, contact Janae Crawford at 778-2360



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FALLON COUNTY PROJECT COMPLETION DISCS

- < All 4-H projects will be eligible for completion discs.
- < Club leaders will review members journals, determine if project is complete, and turn in a list of completion discs they wish the Extension Office to order for them. Clubs will pay for completion discs. If unable to pay, club may choose to award completion certificates. These certificates will be printed by the Extension Office on request.
- < Fallon County 4-H Council will pay for disc plates awarded to all 4-H members completing their first year in 4-H. (This will include the name plate and engraving)
- < All metal extensions to the disc plates are the responsibility of the members to purchase from the Extension Office.
- < After project completion is determined, club leaders will turn in member journals and award applications to the Extension Office on or before the second Wednesday in September.

FALLON COUNTY ADDITIONAL DISCS

- < Year in 4-H discs will be paid for by the 4-H Council.
- < Activity and County Event discs will be paid for by the 4-H Council.

FALLON COUNTY COUNTY PROJECT AWARDS

- < To be eligible for a county project award, members must complete the appropriate awards application or contact the Extension Office with an interview request on or before 5:00 pm on the second Wednesday of September and meet all of the requirements.
- < Interviews will be held within 10 days of the second Wednesday of September.
- < Pins will be awarded instead of discs and the 4-H Council will pay for them.
- < Pins will be awarded in project areas not for individual projects. An example is a Shooting Sports pin instead of one each for rifle, archery, hunting etc. Another example is a Horse pin instead of one each for horsemanship, green horse, horse training etc.
- < All applicants must receive an application score of 85 or higher by two out of three judges to be awarded a pin.
- < A panel of independent judges will determine the awarding of project area awards by reading the completed awards applications and interviewing the members requesting interviews. The judges will be chosen by the awards selection committee based on knowledge of 4-H, reputation, and not being closely affiliated with any local 4-H members.

FALLON COUNTY SPECIAL AWARDS

- < Special awards will include the following non-project area award pins:

Achievement	Community Service
Agriculture	Environmental Stewardship
Citizenship	Family & Consumer Science
- < A limit of three pin awards or less in each of these areas will be given.
- < Recipients of these special awards must be nominated by their club leader(s). These awards cannot be applied for.
- < The panel of independent judges will determine recipients based on the leader nomination which will include a written form signed by the organizational leader on why the club leaders feel a certain member is deserving of such a special award.

IMPORTANT 4-H DATES

July 2008

- 1 Possession date for 4-H project rabbits and poultry
- 1 Early entry forms for the 4-H and Scholastic Invitational Trap Shoot are due
- 8-11 Montana 4-H Congress
- 13 Badlands Classic Open Livestock Show
- 14 4-H Small Projects Judging
- 16 Fallon County Livestock Committee Meeting
- 16 Fallon County 4-H Council Meeting
- 16 Carter County Youth Range Day
- 26 Fallon County 2nd Invitational Trap Shoot
- 29 Fallon County Horse Playday
- 30 4-H Regional Small Animal Judging Day

Fallon & Carter
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August 2008

- 4-8 Montana Youth Range Camp
- 6 Carter County Fair entry forms due by 6:00 pm
- 6 Fallon County Fair entry forms due by 5:00 pm
- 7-10 Carter County "Days of 85" Fair & Rodeo
- 14-17 Fallon County Fair & Rodeo
- 21-24 Eastern Montana Fair in Miles City, Montana
- 29 Last date to have any carcasses graded and data eligible for any state competition

September 2008

- 1 Karen Losing Memorial "Hard Luck" nominations due
- 10 Fallon County 4-H journals are due into the Extension Office
- 18 Carter County 4-H Journals are due into the Extension Office or a 4-H leader

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ALL MEETING MINUTES WILL BE ON OUR EXTENSION WEBSITE.

Please go to our website
<http://www.falloncounty.net/extensiondw/index.html>
to read the Fallon County April 2008 4-H Council minutes,
Livestock Committee Minutes and all other meeting minutes as
they become available.

