



Fallon-Carter County 4-H News

2010 November/December

NEW 4-H YEAR

Welcome to a new year in your Carter and Fallon County 4-H Programs. For some of you this will be your first newsletter. Please read this newsletter for valuable information on the local, state and national level pertaining to 4-H matters. Many of the articles will only have a small part of the information available. If any topic is of interest to you, please contact your Extension Office for more information. Your Fallon/Carter Extension Service will print and send a newsletter every other month (six times a year). Special mailings will also be sent when information with a deadline is received by the office after the newsletter has been printed.

The Extension online site also contains information and is located at:

<http://www.falloncounty.net/extensiondw/4H.html>

4-H ENROLLMENTS

All returning 4-H members and leaders are asked to return their 4-H enrollment sheets to the Fallon/Carter Extension Office on or before **November 1, 2010**. Project material will be ordered at this time in one bulk order and should arrive in a timely manner. Shooting Sports members need to turn in their enrollments before they will be allowed to shoot. Market Beef members in Carter County need to turn in their enrollment forms and be enrolled in the Market Beef Project on or before **January 1, 2011**. Market Beef members in Fallon County need to turn their enrollment forms and be enrolled in the Market Beef Project on or before **February 1, 2011**.

Montana 4-H



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MEETING MINUTES *
EVENT REGISTRATION
FORMS * MUCH MORE.....



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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	Emma Guyer
Junior Ambassador	
Ambassador Key Leader	Mardee Guyer

Current Carter County 4-H Council Officers

President	Mikel Fruit
Vice-President	Gail Brence
Secretary	Sandra Butler Hildreth
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	Terri Raye McInerney
Shooting Stars	Dane Castleberry
Cactus Kids	Thebea Thomas
Puptown Wranglers	Mikel Fruit

Current Carter County Committee Chairmen

Livestock contracts	Sandra Butler
Scholarship	Noralla Thomas
Congress/Ambassador selection	Mikel Fruit
Joint 4-H/FFA	Gail Brence
Trophy	Sharon Higgins
Calendar	Sharon Higgins

FALLON COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM

Current Fallon County 4-H Ambassador Program

Senior Ambassador	Lexyn Walker
Junior Ambassador	
Ambassador Key Leader	Jule Walker

Current Fallon County 4-H Council Officers

President	Roddy Rost
Vice-President	William Benner
Secretary	Jenny Dukart
Treasurer	Julie Post
4-H Foundation Rep	Julie Post

Current Fallon County 4-H Club

Organization Leader/Club contact

Country Pals	Faye Koenig
Red Butte Ramblers	Carol Sparks
Fertile Prairie	Norton Walker
Tumbling Tumbleweeds	Cynthia Tronstad
Outlaws	Penney Kono
FC Shooting Sports	Penney Kono
Country Cousins	Roy Rost

Current Fallon County Committee Chairmen

Livestock	Norton Walker
Publicity	Lexyn Walker
Foundation	Julie Post
Fruit Sales	Faye Koenig
Scholarship	Wanda Pinnow
Food Booth	Jolinda Allerdings
Budget	Executive Committee
Fair Awards	Cindy Irgens
Congress Selection	Penney Kono
Special Awards	Carol Sparks



Youth Starts with You

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

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

Once again it is time to sign up for a new 4-H year of Shooting Sports. To enroll in Shooting Sports you must be **9 years of age or older on or before October 1, 2010**. To enroll in Cowboy Action, you will have to be at least **12 years old on or before October 1, 2010** and have completed the 4-H Air Rifle Program.

The first Carter County Shooting Sports meeting will be held in **November**. The first Fallon County Shooting Sports meeting will be held **November 8, 2010 beginning at 6:00 pm** at the fairgrounds exhibit hall. Leaders will contact 4-H members who have signed up for Shooting Sports details on the time and location. The Fallon and Carter County Shooting Sports Programs teach their members firearm safety, parts and maintenance of firearms, responsibility for themselves & others, sportsmanship and how to shoot. All Shooting Sports leaders are state certified.

Disciplines available to be offered this year:

- Archery
- Air rifle
- Shotgun
- 22 rim rifle
- Air pistol
- Muzzle loading
- Cowboy action
- Hunting



Each of these disciplines has rules and requirements that need to be met. Please contact your Fallon-Carter Extension Service to see what disciplines are available in your county and what these requirements are.

Youth must be enrolled in 4-H and Shooting Sports before they will be allowed to participate!!



CARTER COUNTY 4-H FUN DAY AND ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

The Carter County 2010 4-H Fun Day will be held **Friday, November 12, 2010** at the Events Center located on the Carter County Fairgrounds beginning at 3:00 pm and concluding at 5:00 pm. Fun Day is open to all youth in grades K-6th 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 2010 4-H Achievement Night will be held **Friday, November 12, 2010** at the Events Center located on the Carter County Fairgrounds. A potluck dinner is scheduled to begin at 6:00 pm with the presentation of 4-H awards to follow. Each club is asked to bring the history of their 4-H club and or history of any 4-H related county event for the county wide Montana 4-H Centennial Project. Pictures on a picture board or in albums would also be great.

Everyone is encouraged to attend! The 4-H Council will provide the plates, cups, napkins, eating utensils and drinks for the meal.

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...



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FALLON COUNTY KIDS & HORSES MEETING

A Kids & Horses 4-H Horse meeting and riding session will be held **Monday, December 27, 2010** in the indoor arena on the Fallon County Fairgrounds. This meeting is scheduled to begin at 1:00 pm.

Each member is being asked to bring 50 cents to help pay for the lights.

Kids & Horses is a 4-H Horse Committee and all registered 4-H Members and Leaders signed up for a 4-H Horse Project are considered members.

Attending a 4-H horse helmet safety workshop and/or viewing the video “Every Time, Every Ride” is required first as a Junior member and again as a Senior member in order to be a registered member in a Montana 4-H Horse Project.

ANIMAL POSSESSION DATES

Carter County Market Beef	January 1
Fallon County Market Beef	February 1
Horse	May 1
Breeding Beef, Goats, Sheep & Swine	June 1
Rabbits & Poultry	July 1

All Fallon and Carter County Youth wishing to take a Market Animal Project **must** have possession of their animal and be enrolled in the project on or before the possession dates listed above.

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.

No Exceptions!

JANUARY MEETING DATES

Fallon County Livestock Committee
Wednesday, January 12, 2011
Fallon County Courthouse
Basement conference room

Fallon County 4-H Council
Wednesday, January 19, 2011
Fallon County Courthouse
Basement conference room

Carter County 4-H Council
Tentative Date
Thursday, January 20, 2011
Wagon Wheel Café
Back room



Montana 4-H Horse & Livestock Leaders' Forum

January 28-30, 2011
Helena MT

Mark your calendars for Montana 4-H Horse & Livestock Leaders' Forum on January 28-30 in Helena! This is a great event you don't want to miss. At the event you will network with other leaders from around the state, gain new ideas and knowledge, and obtain new ideas to take back to your county. The Forum features Friday night demonstrations of Yoga on Horseback and Dog Agility and Herding. There is a great lineup of workshops including organic agriculture, wool, meat goats, hoof care and function, youth agriculture loans, livestock judging, horse skill-a-thon and much more! Registration materials will be available in November. For more information contact your Fallon/Carter Extension Office.



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2011 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 12-19, 2010**.

Applications are due **January 1, 2011 (one month earlier than usual)** 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.

MONTANA 4-H CITIZENSHIP SEMINAR

Montana Citizenship Seminar is for 4-H members who are 14 years or older as of October 1, 2010. The seminar will be held in Helena **February 27 – March 1, 2011**. This seminar provides 4-H members the chance to learn about state government through workshops and activities which will be held at the Capitol Building and other state buildings. Applications are available at you Fallon/Carter County Extension Office.

MONTANAN'S FOR 4-H LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST

The Montanan's for 4-H will be hosting a Legislative Breakfast in Helena on **January 18, 2011**. There will be a dinner the night before to prepare everyone with ideas to discuss with legislators who will be at their tables. Each county is asked to send a group of 4-H members to attend the breakfast and to share with our legislators on the importance and benefits of 4-H in their lives and in the county and state. As state budgets become increasingly tighter, it is important that these lawmakers hear directly from 4-H members and leaders.

Youth will travel to Helena on Monday, attend a banquet Monday evening, attend the breakfast Tuesday morning, and return home Tuesday afternoon. Additional activities may include a tour of the capitol and possible watching the legislative session. If you have any questions or an interest in attending, please contact your Extension Office. Applications to attend are due on or before **December 15, 2010**.

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, 2011**.



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2010 FALL CRAFT & SEWING FESTIVAL

Saturday, November 13, 2010

At the Custer County High School

From 8:45 am – 2:45 pm

For Youth 9 and Up

A registration fee of \$20.00 which includes materials and lunch but not basic sewing supplies.

Your Fallon/Carter Extension Office has registration forms with a complete list of supplies to bring and the variety of workshops you may choose from. Register early as enrollment is limited



2011 MONTANA AG CALENDARS

Again this year the Montana Ag Calendars featuring Don Greytak are available. Sale of this calendar generates funds for educational programs for Montana Youth in 4-H and for students studying agriculture at Montana Colleges and Universities.

Your club may sell these calendars for \$10.00 each. Your club will earn \$2.50 for each calendar sold. For more information, contact your Extension Office at (406) 778-7110.

The Red Butte Ramblers 4-H Club from Fallon County is currently selling calendars if you wish to purchase any for gifts or for yourself.

4-H COUNTY AMBASSADORS

Ambassador applications are now being accepted for both Fallon and Carter Counties. These applications will be for Ambassador Prospects.

Applications for Carter and Fallon County 4-H Ambassadors/Ambassador Prospects may be picked up from your Fallon/Carter Extension Office, look in your county's Policies and Procedures Manual or go to our website at

<http://www.falloncounty.net/extensiondw/Montana%204H%20Ambassador%20Application.pdf>

Please complete the application and return to your Fallon-Carter Extension Office. Eligible applicants are 4-H members who are 14 years of age or older as of **October 1, 2010**.

Fallon County is requesting applications be turned in on or before **Wednesday, December 15, 2010**.

Carter County is requesting applications be turned in on or before **Thursday, January 20, 2011**.

Current Ambassadors:

Carter Co. Sr. Ambassador

Emma Guyer

Fallon Co. Sr. Ambassador

Lexyn Walker

Feel free to contact your Extension Office or a current ambassador if you have questions.

4-H INTERVIEW JUDGING

All Fallon County 4-H Clubs are asked to discuss the possibility of once again having interview judging of indoor exhibits at the Fallon County Fair. A decision will be made at the **January 19, 2011** 4-H Council meeting. A committee will be formed at that time if clubs are in favor of this proposal.



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2010-2011 FALLON COUNTY EVENT HOSTS

Foods Festival	Red Butte Ramblers
Communications Day	Tumbling Tumbleweeds
Fashion Review/Quilt Show	Carol Sparks, Cindy Irgens, Julie Post, Nancy Curry
Horse Playday	Country Pals
Spring Livestock Judging	Fertile Prairie
Fall Livestock Judging (2009)	Country cousins
Small Projects Judging	Fertile Prairie
Horse Judging	Country Pals
Achievement Day (2011)	Red Butte Ramblers

2010-2011 FALLON COUNTY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Fruit Sale = **Faye Koenig**, Cindy Irgens, Norton Walker, Lexyn Walker, Cindy Stark, Leslie Gray, Nancy Curry

Scholarship = **Wanda Pinnow**, Toni Reetz, Carol Sparks, Roy Rost

Food Booth = **Toni Reetz, Jolinda Allerdings**, Sonja Beyers, Melissa Rost, Roy Rost
Kevin Dukart

Trophy, ribbons & fair awards ceremony = **Cindy Irgens**, Kalli Post, Tiffany Benner, Dustin Irgens
Justin Irgens, Caden Dukart, Kevin Dukart, Faye Koenig
Travis Koenig, Norton Walker

Congress Selection = **Penney Kono**, Nicole Wheeler, Wanda Pinnow

Fairbook Revisions = Jolinda Allerdings, Faye Koenig, **William Benner**, Norton Walker, Nancy Curry,
Nicole Wheeler

Special Awards = **Carol Sparks**, Wanda Pinnow, Sonja Beyers

Publicity = Lexyn Walker and Jule Walker

Names in red depict committee chairs

Council President and County Agent/4-H Assistant are ex-officio members of all committees



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November 2010 Calendar

- 1 Club financial records due into the Fallon/Carter Extension Office
- 1 4-H Leader/Volunteer applications and Shooting Sports Project member enrollments due
- 1 Requesting 4-H member re-enrollments
- 8 First Fallon County Shooting Sports meeting 6:00 pm Exhibit Hall
- 11 Veterans Day (Courthouse Closed)
- 12 Carter County 4-H Fun Day 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- 12 Carter County 4-H Achievement Night 6:00 pm
- 13 2010 Fall Craft & Sewing Festival in Miles City
- 17 Carter County Leader Training in Courthouse Court Room
- 18 Fallon County Leader Training in Courthouse Conference Room
- 25 Thanksgiving (Courthouse Closed)

Fallon & Carter Counties

December 2010 Calendar

- 15 Declare your intent to participate in the MT Legislative Breakfast
- 15 Deadline to submit Ambassador Prospect Applications for Fallon Co.
- 24 Courthouse Closed for Christmas Holiday
- 27 Fallon County Kids & Horses will meet and ride 1:00 pm fairgrounds

January 2011 Calendar

- 1 Carter County Market Beef possession date
- 1 Applications for Citizenship Washing Focus due
- 12 Fallon County Livestock Committee Meeting
- 18 4-H Legislative Breakfast
- 19 Fallon County 4-H Council Meeting
- 20 Carter County 4-H Council Meeting
- 20 Deadline to submit Ambassador Prospect Applications for Carter Co.
- 28-30 Montana 4-H Horse & Livestock Leader's Forum in Helena

Montana State University,
U.S. Department of
Agriculture and Montana
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February 2011 Calendar

- 1 Fallon County Market Beef possession date
- 1 Last date for 4-H People Partner Grants to be postmarked
- 27-March 1 Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar

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