



Fallon-Carter County 4-H News

2009 September/October

NOW REQUIRED: 4-H LEADER/ VOLUNTEER SCREENING & CERTIFICATION

The 4-H Center for Youth Development is requiring screening of all leaders/volunteers this year. This new policy is to ensure the safety and well-being for our 4-H members. A \$12 per leader screening and certification fee is required..

Leader/Volunteer Applications; Agreement and Standards of Behavior Forms; and Disclosure & Consent forms will be available at the upcoming 4-H Council meetings. Forms not picked up at that time will be mailed. Forms need to be completed and returned to the Extension Office by November 2, 2009.

Screening will be done by HireRight, a company contracted by 4-H to complete the screenings. Until the entire screening process is complete, a leader/volunteer will not be certified.

This policy goes into effect October 1, 2009. Applicants that successfully clear the certification process and are accepted as a volunteer will receive a letter of acceptance from the Fallon-Carter County Extension Office. Rejected applicants will receive a letter from the 4-H Center for Youth Development.

All adults who have one-on-one contact with 4-Hers throughout the year need to be screened and certified. Exceptions are: infrequent contact persons such as guest speakers and fair judges, etc.

Once you are a certified leader/volunteer, you will not need to go through the screening process again, as long as you do not have a break in association with 4-H or new information arises regarding your background. The complete guide, "MSU Extension Montana 4-H Volunteer Certification Policies and Procedures," is available from the Fallon-Carter County Extension Office.

Montana 4-H



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Please go to our Extension
website

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

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 you 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	Dylan Mulkey
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	McKinzi McInerney
Shooting Stars	Dane Castleberry
Cactus Kids	Thebea Thomas
Puptown Wranglers	Mikel Fruit

Current Carter County Committee Chairmen

Livestock contracts	Sandra Butler
Scholarship	Sharon Higgins
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	Tina Koenig
Junior Ambassador	Lexyn Walker
Ambassador Key Leader	Jule Walker

Current Fallon County 4-H Council Officers

President	Roddy Rost
Vice-President	Penney Kono
Secretary	???
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
Budget	Executive Committee
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 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month.



CLUB FINANCIAL RECORDS

All Fallon and Carter County 4-H Clubs must turn the following financial records into the Extension Office by November 2, 2009:

- Checkbook & bank statements from the past 12 months
- All receipts from the past 12 months
- Bank statements of any savings account and/or certificates of deposit
- Any additions or corrections to your current inventory list
- The 4-H Club Treasurer's Book from the 2008-2009 4-H year

CARTER COUNTY 4-H PROJECT AWARDS

Carter County 4-H members are required to turn in their journals to their Extension Office or their 4-H Leader to be reviewed for County Awards and Project Completion by the 4-H Council at 1:30 pm September 17, 2009.



FALLON-CARTER COUNTY 4-H RE-ENROLLMENT PACKETS

Fallon-Carter County 4-H Member re-enrollment and 4-H Club packets will be available at the upcoming 4-H Council meetings. Packets not picked up at that time will be mailed.

Please complete all forms in these packets and return to your Fallon-Carter Extension Office on or before **Tuesday December 1, 2009**.

All members wishing to enroll in a Shooting Sports Project must turn in their completed enrollments on or before Monday, November 2, 2009.



"MEET THE FUTURE" NATIONAL 4-H WEEK WINDOW DISPLAYS

Fallon and Carter County 4-H Clubs are encouraged to create window displays during 4-H Week to promote 4-H within their local counties

The Fallon County window displays will be judged **Monday morning, October 5, 2009**. Please contact your Extension Office with the location of your window prior to this date.

Judging criteria for 4-H window displays:

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| 1. | Creativity | 20 pts |
| 2. | Word 4-H or 4-H emblem | 20 pts |
| 3. | Depiction of theme | 20 pts |
| 4. | Club name clearly visible | 20 pts |
| 5. | Overall appearance | 20 pts |



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FALLON COUNTY LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING

The Fallon County Livestock Committee will meet Wednesday, **October 14, 2009** at 5:15 p.m. in the basement conference room of the Fallon County courthouse. All members, leaders and parents active in the livestock projects are encouraged to attend.

Any questions on the livestock exhibits at this year's fair will be addressed at this meeting while they are fresh in everyone's mind and the election of a new chairman, vice-chairman and secretary. If you are interested in any of these positions, please attend this meeting.

FALLON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The Fallon County 4-H Council will meet **Wednesday, October 21, 2009** at 7:00 p.m. in the basement conference room of the Fallon County courthouse. Parents, leaders and members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Election of a Vice-President and a Treasurer are on the agenda.

Attention all 4-H leaders and members! Please look over the enclosed committee list, attend this council meeting or contact your Extension Office to let it be known what committees you would like to serve on and what County Events you would like to host.

A supplement to this newsletter is the Fallon County 4-H Constitution . Please read this constitution prior to the 4-H Council Meeting

CARTER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The Carter County 4-H Council will meet Thursday, **September 17, 2009** at 1:30 pm in the backroom of the Wagon Wheel Café in Ekalaka to review member journals. The business meeting will follow the reviewing of journals at approximately 4:00 pm. All leaders are asked to attend this meeting to help review journals for county awards. We need you to attend.

Carter County 4-H members need to turn in their completed journals to the Extension Office or a 4-H leader on or before 1:30 pm Thursday, September 17, 2009.

NOTE

All Fallon and Carter County 4-H Clubs must turn Scrapbooks and secretary books into the Extension Office by October 1, 2009 in order to be eligible for the Best Secretary Book Award and the Best Scrapbook Award.

THANK YOU

Remember to send a thank you note to everyone who has helped you throughout the fair, during your past 4-H year, purchased your 4-H animal and/or donated to an award you have received. A thank you note is such an easy way to let someone know you appreciate what they have did for you and your 4-H



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NILE

The NILE Stock Show
Pro Rodeo
& Horse Extravaganza Billings, Montana
October 10-17, 2009

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK & EVENTS

- Junior Fed Livestock
- Junior Breeding Heifer
- Ag Sales & Service
- Horse Evaluation
- Livestock Evaluation (Oct. 13)
- Merit Heifer Program

Deadline for registration with full payment is **October 1, 2009**. Visit the NILE website at www.thenile.org for all the details regarding each event as well as a full schedule of events for the NILE.

2009 MONTANA 4-H AMBASSADOR FALL TRAINING

**Thursday, October 15 thru
Saturday, October 17, 2009**
Fairmont Hot Springs

Participants: Each county may send:
1 Senior Ambassador 1 Junior Ambassador
2 Prospective Ambassadors 1 Key Leader

Fall training is a chance to learn more about the ambassador program, share ideas with other ambassadors across the state and get re-energized about 4-H. This training will be an exciting, hands-on experience which will teach you leadership and communication skills needed to be an active county ambassador. The weekend will also include fun social activities: swimming, games, dances, a formal dinner, and entertainment.

Please contact your Extension Service if you wish to attend or would like to learn more about the ambassador program.



MEET THE FUTURE
National 4-H Week
October 4-10, 2009

Ever wonder what the future will look like? Just take a look at your local 4-H today. It's where young people explore, learn and discover in a safe environment. In 4-H, kids find their true passions, gain confidence and give back to the community.

Celebrate 4-H's efforts in helping today's kids become tomorrow's leaders.



www.4-H.org

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4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2009

AT THEE GARAGE

BAKER, MONTANA

DINNER BEGINS AT 5:00 PM

AWARDS CEREMONY TO
FOLLOW DINNER

All families are asked to bring one hot dish and their choice of a dessert or salad.

All 4-H members are encouraged to invite their friends, family, award donors, livestock buyers and prospective members.

"MEET THE FUTURE"



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MAKE IT WITH WOOL

The Montana District 6 Make It With Wool Contest will be held in Circle, MT **October 25, 2009 with registrations due October 9, 2009.** This District Competition will be held to determine eligibility to advance on to the state competition.

The Montana State Make it With Wool competition will be held **December 4-5, 2009** in Billings, Montana.

A Montana Make It With Wool Quilt/Afghan Contest will also be held in conjunction with the traditional "Make It With Wool" garment competition. Please contact your Extension Service for more information on these competitions sponsored by American Sheep Industry Women.

FALLON COUNTY 4-H FALL LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Sunday, September 27, 2009
Indoor Arena
Fallon County Fairgrounds
Baker, MT

Judging will begin at 2:00 pm with six classes of livestock and two sets of reasons. All 4-H and FFA Youth are welcome to attend.

CUSTER COUNTY 4-H FALL LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Saturday, September 26, 2009
Fort Keogh
Miles City, MT

Judging will begin at 9:00 am. All 4-H and FFA Youth are welcome to attend.

MONTANA 4-H LEADERS FORUM

September 25-26, 2009
Sidney, Montana

"Harvest Your Leadership Potential" at this year's Leadership Forum. Many interesting and informative workshops will be available to help you enhance your local 4-H Programs.

Keynote speaker will be Michelle Cummings, a consultant in the areas of leadership, teambuilding and experiential learning.

Your Fallon/Carter Extension has additional information and registration forms for this extraordinary educational experience.



THE BETH BERGER MEMORIAL YEARLING HORSE SCHOLARSHIP

The family of Beth Berger would like to provide a yearling to two deserving 4-H members eligible to enroll the colts in the 4-H Horse Training Project.

Applications for the Beth Berger Memorial Yearling Horse Scholarship are available at your Fallon-Carter Extension Office. These applications need to be completed and returned to the Extension Office on or before **October 16, 2009** by 5:00 pm.

The recipients of the two yearlings will be announced at Achievement Night Sunday, November 1, 2009.



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2009-2010 FALLON COUNTY EVENT HOSTS

(To be determined at the October 21, 2009 4-H Council meeting)

Foods Festival _____
Communications Day _____
Fashion Review/Quilt Show _____
Horse Playday _____
Horse Judging _____
Spring Livestock Judging _____
Fall Livestock Judging (2010) _____
Small Projects Judging _____
Achievement Day (2010)= Country Cousins

2009-2010 FALLON COUNTY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

(To be determined at the October 21, 2009 4-H Council meeting)

Fruit Sale _____
Scholarship _____
Food Booth _____
4-H Fun Day _____
Congress Selection _____
Fairbook Revisions _____
Special Awards _____
Trophy, ribbons & fair awards ceremony _____
Publicity = Tina Koenig, Lexyn Walker, Jule Walker and Sharon Schwartz

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



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September 2009 Calendar

- 17 Carter County 4-H Council Meeting at 1:30 pm in the Wagon Wheel Cafe
- 17 Carter County 4-H Journals must be turned in to a leader or the Extension Office to be eligible for awards and project completion prior to the 4-H Council Meeting
- 24-26 Rocky Mountain Sewing & Craft Festival
- 25-26 Montana 4-H Leaders Forum in Sidney, MT
- 26 Custer County Livestock Judging
- 27 Fallon County Fall Livestock Judging

October 2009 Calendar

- 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 2008-2009
- 1 First day of the 2009-2010 4-H year
- 1 All Fallon and Carter County 4-H Clubs must turn scrapbooks and secretary books into the Extension Office
- 1 Deadline to register a NILE Livestock Judging team
- 4-10 National 4-H Week
- 5 Fallon County 4-H Window displays will be judged
- 9 District Make It With Wool Contest registrations due
- 10-17 NILE Stock Show
- 14 Fallon County Livestock Committee Meeting at 5:15 pm
- 12 Courthouse closed for COLUMBUS DAY
- 13 NILE Youth Livestock Evaluation
- 15-17 Ambassador Fall Training
- 16 Applications due for the Beth Berger Memorial Yearling Horse Scholarship
- 21 Fallon County 4-H Council Meeting at 7:00 pm
- 25 District 6 Make It With Wool Contest

November 2009 Calendar

- 1 Fallon County 4-H Achievement Night
- 2 4-H Leader/Volunteer applications and Shooting Sports Project member enrollments due
- 2 Club financial records due into the Fallon/Carter Extension Office

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