

TOOLE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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Hello 4-H Families!

Registration is now open on the Z-Suite website!

The last day to sign up on Z-Suite is **November 16th.** The council will pay for books if we order them before Nov. 16th. We will be asking families to purchase their own books after that date.

Thank you to those who attended the Achievement Day Awards Banquet. Thank you for making it a success. We had so much fun celebrating our youth members. Please let us know if you have any suggestions at all for next year.

It is that time of year for weigh ins for the steers! Information on dates is included in this email and we will send out several reminders.

There are various committees that parents can join, such as, the livestock committee, small animal committee, horse committee, exhibit building committee and the food booth committee. Please let us know if you would like to be on one of these committees.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions. You can stop by the office anytime!
Have a great November!
Kim & Jackie

TAKE A PEEK AT WHAT'S INSIDE: UPCOMING EVENTS ACHIEVEMENT DAY AWARDS CALENDAR







Toole County 4-H Due Date is November 16th, 2022.

4-H dues are charged to cover insurance and materials cost. In the past, the club has collected dues from the members and then the club paid the 4-H Council. This has been somewhat a cumbersome process. One of the features of our new online registration program is that we can now collect dues online with a credit or debit card. Families may still pay with check or cash, but must bring it to the office in a timely manner. Members will not be considered registered unless their dues are paid. Club members are required to pay dues by November 16 to participate in 4-H activities and be covered by insurance. Project materials will not be ordered for members until their dues are paid.

DUES MUST BE PAID BY NOVEMBER 16, EITHER ONLINE OR AT THE OFFICE, FOR MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN 4-H FOR THE 2022-23 YEAR.

4-H Volunteer Orientation Instructions

- 1. Log into your Z-Suite Account
- 2. Select the profile of the volunteer that is taking the course.
- 3. Click on Clover Academy from the menu on the left.
- 4. Click on the blue box "Launch Clover Academy".
- **5.** You will be taken to the Clover Academy website.
- 6. Scroll down to find the Montana 4-H Orientation course. Click on "Enroll Now".
- **7.** On the course page you will see an overview of the course. Scroll down to see the four modules that make up the orientation. Click the blue box "See More" under module one.
- **8.** Follow the instructions to navigate the course.
- **9.** When you get to the end of the module, (Slide will say you completed module). Scroll down and click on the blue box "Mark as Complete". Box will turn blue once you have completed the module.
- **10.** Select the next lesson to load the next module. Your progress will be saved and you can return later to complete the remaining modules.

All returning volunteers will have until September 30, 2023, to complete the training and will not be allowed to enroll for the 2023-2024 4-H year until the orientation is completed. All new volunteers must complete the orientation before being turned active in Z-Suite.

Marias Fair Sidewalk Project

Breaunna Erickson, of Pondera County, is the recipient of a \$500 People Partner grant for her sidewalk project at the Marias Fairgrounds. Breaunna is in the process of raising funds to add sidewalks to the fairgrounds. This will allow people with mobility issues, families with strollers and basically everyone to navigate the 4-H area of the fairgrounds more comfortably.

If you are interested in donating, you can contact the Pondera County Extension Office by calling 406-271-4054, e-mailing pondera@montana.edu or by mail at 20 4th Ave SW, Conrad, MT 59425.

Fair Survey

Local MSU Extension and the Marias Fair board is seeking your input on potentially moving the Marias Fair to the end of June long-term.

If fair was to remain the 3rd week of July, the chances of having a carnival again are extremely minimal due to scheduling conflicts with larger fairs. A fair the end of June would greatly increase the chances of a carnival and hopefully minimize other conflicts as well.

We would greatly appreciate your anonymous feedback via the online survey at https://montana.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eV4XEpBhXaEaKGy on the proposed change. Please complete this by November 30, 2022.

Steer Weigh Ins:

We will be weighing and tagging your steers on the following dates:

November 25th at 3 PM at Simmes Ranch

November 26th at 10 AM at the Flesch Sale Barn

If those dates do not work for you due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, please let Kim know and if needed, we will weigh all others on December 4th. The due date for weights and tags is December 4th.

Livestock Committee Updates:

The deadline for pig weigh ins and breeding information is April 16th.

The deadline for sheep and goats is May 4th.

The committee doesn't want to be in charge of the Pre-Sale Social. They are wondering if a club wants to take it over or rotate through the years. Maybe a 4-Her could take that on as their teen leadership project.

Small Ag/Small Animal Committee Updates

Next year at the fair, the committee will be reinforcing the herdsmanship rules more closely. We had too many animals without water during the 90 degree heat. Some fundraising opportunities were discussed. We will be doing a chicken bingo to fundraise for a future barn projects. We talked about potentially doing a small animal jackpot show up in the north part of the state since they are doing one in Billings on November 12th.

Leadership Academy

Members 12+, 4-H Age

Join the Montana 4-H Leadership Academy workshop on Sunday afternoons in 2022/2023. The Leadership Academy is a network of Montana 4-H members interested in exploring and developing their own leadership skills while serving their county 4-H program in new ways.

These workshops provide local county leadership groups an opportunity to join (virtually) with groups from around the state as well as the Montana 4-H Ambassador Officer team, to work on skill building, planning and mentorship.

Each month the officer team will present a different workshop topic that they have found to be important as they have grown their own leadership abilities. This workshop should be paired with a local county leadership meeting to work on county projects that serve the local 4-H program and community. County Leadership groups should plan to meet face to face whenever possible and engage in the virtual state wide workshop together.

This time can be viewed as a leadership club meeting. County ambassadors can aid in planning and facilitating these local workshop meetings. The following agenda is currently being planned. All workshops are Sunday afternoons from 3:00 to 4:00. Zoom links for each workshop session will be emailed to county extension offices and can be shared locally.

Visit the webpage for complete descriptions:

https://www.montana4h.org/programs/youth_leadership/academy.html

To receive the zoom meeting link and info for this workshop series please complete the short registration by clicking the "Register Now" on the montana4h.org page. Once the form is complete an email containing the zoom meeting link for all five workshops will be sent automatically.

- November 20, 2022 (online only)
- December 11, 2022
- January 8, 2023
- February 5, 2023
- March 5, 2023

Legislative Breakfast

The Legislative Breakfast provides an opportunity to educate Montana legislators about the work and success of 4-H in the state. It brings together youth and adult constituents from across Montana to share stories of achievement drawn from their 4-H experiences. The breakfast also reinforces the vital role of the MSU Cooperative Extension Service budget, which supports 4-H in Montana communities. Legislative Breakfast will be held the morning of January 17th with a preparatory dinner on the evening of January 16th. Registration is due January 6, 2023. Register on Z-Suite. Please let Kim know if you are interested.

Z-Suite Enrollment for 2022-2023

Montana 4-H is using the Z-Suite platform for enrollment. Z-Suite also provides a record book platform where members can work on books via a mobile device, leaders can check books remotely, etc. A reenrolling family should follow the following steps to access their record and set up their Z-Suite account on or after October 1. This can be done on a computer or mobile device. Families will also be able to pay registration fees online instead of paying the clubs and the clubs paying the 4-H Council!

For Re-Enrolling Families

- 1. Using your computer, smart phone or other device go to 4h.zsuite.org.
- 2. Click Sign Up. Complete all of the fields. Use the FAMILY email address from 4honline as the ADULT EMAIL to connect your previous enrollment with ZSUITE. If you are not sure what your "family email" is contact your MSU Extension office and they can tell you. Click LET'S GO.
- 3. Arrive at your HOUSEHOLD DASHBOARD. Click on the name of the family member you want to reenroll, click on the blue "start enrollment" button and follow the steps.
- 4. Complete/Update the personal information, waivers, club and projects and hit SUBMIT.

For New 4-H Families

- 1. Using your computer, smart phone or other device go to 4h.zsuite.org.
- 2. Click Sign Up. Complete all of the fields. Click LET'S GO.
- 3. Arrive at your HOUSEHOLD DASHBOARD and begin adding family members. Click on the name of the family member you want to enroll, click on the blue "start enrollment" button and follow the steps.
- 4. Complete the personal information, waivers, club and projects and hit SUBMIT. Note: Counties may have an additional payment step.

Paying for Enrollments

If there is a payment required after you click "Add to Cart" you will go to the payment screen or cart and have the option to do one of the following:

- Check out using a Credit Card. *Not available in all counties.
- Click "+ Add Enrollment" to return to the dashboard and begin enrollment of another member or volunteer. You can return to the cart after all enrollments have been completed and pay all at once by clicking the blue "\$ Pay for Enrollments" button on the household dashboard at the bottom of the household member list.
- Click "Submit and Pay Later in Person". This is your option to pay with cash or check to the county office.

Project Age Requirements - Here is something to keep in mind when registering! You must meet the minimum required age by October 1, 2022 in order to enroll in each project.

- Cloverbuds 5 years old
- Regular 4-H 8 years old
- Shooting Sports 9 years old
- Colt to Maturity 11 years old and have completed Horsemanship Levels 1, 2, and 3
- Market Beef & Beef Breeding 10 years old
- Teen Leadership 13 years old
- State Ambassador 14 years old

ACHIEVEMENT DAY

EXCELLENCE IN PROJECT AWARDS

Swine-Clara Blonde, Dylan Clark, Brinlee Flesch

Sewing-Clara Blonde, Grace Hemmer, Anissa Smith

Beef-Delaney Clark, Jagger Flesch, Preslee Flesch,

Cade Hanson

Outdoor Adventures- Paxton Flesch

Entomology- Sam Flesch

Robotics-EV3- Grace Hemmer

Poultry- Alethea Smith, Grace Hemmer

Cat- Grace Hemmer

Archery- Avalyn Smith, Morgan Riphenburg

Photography- Kaley Sandon

CLOVERBUD AWARDS

1st Year Hadley Ergenbright, Laura Flesch, Celee Flesch, Lennon Flesch, Wylie Frydenlund, Morgan McLean, Matthew McLean, Brogan Preuss, Colin Riphenburg, Malcolm Russell, Gilbert Salois, Grayson Salois, Carlie Sisk, Ambree Smith, Orion Vetch

2nd Year Aubree Clark, Donnie Calendrino, Liliana

Denno, Gavin Gardiner

3rd Year Layla Blonde, Moira Hemmer

SERVICE AWARDS

Community Service Parker Berthelote, Clara Blonde, Delaney Clark, Corin Scarborough, Jadis Scarborough

Leadership Clara Blonde, Delaney Clark, Cade Hanson, Josh Kearns, Avalyn Smith

4-H Achievement Clara Blonde, Delaney Clark, Cade Hanson, Grace Hemmer

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

CLOVER ACHIEVEMENT Parker Berthelote, Kaylee Berthelote, Josh Kearns, Conlan Kerfoot

EMERALD ACHIEVEMENT W Denno, Rowen Russell,

Morgan Riphenburg, Paxton Flesch, Sam Flesch, Kaley Sandon, Breckynn Kempf, Kris Carver, Alethea

Smith, Avalyn Smith, Anissa Smith, Jadis Scarborough, Corin Scarborough, Colter Sandon

BRONZE ACHIEVEMENT Kacey Wipf, Preslee Flesch,

Grace Hemmer, Jagger Flesch

SILVER ACHIEVEMENT Clara Blonde

GOLD ACHIEVEMENT Delaney Clark, Dylan Clark,

Cade Hanson

7 Year Pen Set Corin Scarborough, Dylan Clark, Clara Blonde, Jadis Scarborough, Josh Kearns, Cael Blevins

Top Honors
BEN SISK MEMORIAL Kolby Lohr
"U R AWESOME" Clara Blonde
CLUB RECOGNITION
CLUB OF EXCELLENCE- Kountry Kids

West Butte

LEADER RECOGNITION

LEADER OF THE YEAR Brent Hanson, Ashely Denno **ALUMNI OF THE YEAR** Tawna Hanson

COMMUNITY AWARDS MERITORIOUS SERVICE

Robyn Kimmet-TLC Catering

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Tawna Hanson, Nanna Flesch

MARIAS FAIR CARCASS AWARDS

Steer of Merit Josh Kearns, Conlan Kerfoot, Kolby Lohr

Symbol of Excellence (Swine) Clara Blonde, Bridger Ergenbright, Brinlee Flesch, Kaley Sandon, Paxton Flesch

Certified Lamb Dylan Clark

ACHIEVEMENT DAY





2022 Cloverbud Awards

Ashely Denno-Leader of the Year



Kolby Lohr- Ben Sisk Award



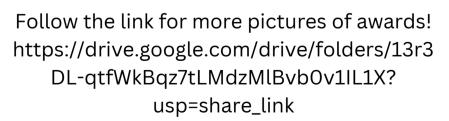
Tawna Hanson-Distiguished Service



Robyn Kimmet-Meritorious Service



Brent Hanson- Leader of the Year



Nanna Flesch Memorial Scholarship Winners not Pictured: Jaren Johannes and Desirae Salois



Wyatt Fix- Nanna Flesch Memorial Scholarship



Clara Blonde- U R Awesome Award

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

1st- 1st & 2nd year Robotics @ Extension Office 3:30-5pm

2nd- Cloverbud Robotics 3:30-5pm @ New Life Community Church

3rd-8-11 years old Robotics 3:30-5pm @ Extension Office

6th - Air Rifle & Pistol Sign Ups from 12-3pm @ Shooting Range

6th - Achievement Day @ Sunburst Community Center @ 5pm

6th- Kountry Kids Meeting @ Exhibit Building 3pm

8th - Office Closed- Election Day

11th - Office Closed- Veteran's Day

15th- 1st & 2nd year Robotics 3:30-5pm @ Extension Office

16th- Cloverbud Project Book 3:30-5pm @ New Life Community Church

17th- 8-11 year old Robotics 3:30-5pm @ Extension Office

20th- 3rd-5th year Robotics 2-5pm @ Extension Office

24th - Office Closed- Thanksgiving

25th- Office Closed

DECEMBER

1st- Robotics 8-11 years old @ Courthouse 3:30-5pm

6th- Robotics EV3 1st & 2nd year @ Courthouse 3:30-5pm

7th- Cloverbud Robotics @ New Life Community Church 3:30-5pm

15th- Robotics EV3 8-11 years old @ Courthouse 3:30-5pm

18th- EV3 3rd- 5th year @ Courthouse 2-5pm

20th- Robotics EV3 1st & 2nd Year @ Courthouse 3:30-5pm

21st- Cloverbud Project Book @ New Life Community Church 3:30-5pm

25th- Merry Christmas

26th- Office Closed

Please eat before you come to all 4-H project meetings

Toole County 4-H Club

Blazing Saddles

Barb Larsen 432-2765

West Butte

Tawna Hanson 937-3888 Crystal McAlpine 450-0108

Kountry Kids

Sanna Clark 450-2122