

Upcoming Events

- September 30 - October 29 - Butter Braid Sales, see details in this newsletter
- October 1 - New 4-H year begins
- October 6 - Clever Clovers 4-H meeting, 5 p.m., location To Be Announced
- October 6 - 12 - National 4-H Week - Theme: "Beyond Ready"
- October 17 - 18 - Kid's Kitchen Day, Medieval Meat Pies, H.S. FACS room, 10:00 a.m.
- October 13 - Open Range 4-H Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Glacier County Annex
- October 13 - Longview 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Location To Be Announced
- October 14 - Office closed, Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day
- October 14 - First Cloverbud meeting of the year, 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm, HC Davis Cafeteria
- October 18 - Deadline to register for Fall Leadership training
- October 21 - 24 - Office closed for Extension Annual Conference in Bozeman
- October 30 - Livestock Committee meeting, 7 p.m., MRE in Shelby

- November 1 - 3 - Fall Leadership Training, Billings, MT
- November 2 - Cheesecake Bakeoff, Holiday Bazaar, Cut Bank High School
- November 4 - 4-H Leader's Council meeting, 7:00 p.m. Glacier County Annex
- November 15 - Kid's Kitchen Cookies! High School FACS room 10.00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- November 16 - Golden Triangle 4-H Volunteer Summit, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Shelby

Greetings, Glacier County 4-H!

With the crisp autumn winds comes an exciting new 4-H year, and this season's theme is "Beyond Ready." As we embark on the months ahead, our 4-H members are excited to take their skills, knowledge, and leadership to new heights.

Whether trying a new project area, honing existing talents, or discovering undiscovered passions, our 4-H'ers are primed to go "Beyond Ready" in every endeavor. From hands-on project activities to community service initiatives, the opportunities for growth and discovery are endless.

In 4-H Friendship,
Kari and Lisa

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<https://4h.zsuite.org/>

<http://www.montana4h.org/>



Motto -
To Make the Best Better

4-H Enrollment Opens October 1

- **BEFORE enrolling:**

- Pick up the 4-H Clover from the Extension Office or view it at https://www.montana.edu/extension/pubs-linked-in-store/4-H_Clover_2024-2026_WEB.pdf to see projects available.
- Check the project age requirements for enrolling (below).
- Determine which level member should be in. If they completed a level in their project book last year, they need to move up to the next level. It is the family's responsibility to ensure member is placed in correct level at enrollment.
- Discuss as a family and/or with club leader how many projects are reasonable. For EACH project, member will complete approximately 7 activities in their project book AND a project journal for the year. For a beginning member, 1 to 2 projects may be reasonable, for an intermediate or advanced member, they are encouraged to take on additional projects and challenges. Members can drop or add any project up until May 1 with no penalty, but are responsible for project book costs.

Project Age Requirements

- **Youth must meet the minimum required age by October 1, 2024 in order to enroll in each project.**
 - Cloverbuds - 5 years old, Regular 4-H - 8 years old
 - Shooting Sports - 9 years old
 - Market Beef & Beef Breeding - 10 years old
 - Teen Leadership - 13 years old • Ambassador - 14 years old
 - Colt to Maturity - 11 years old and have completed Horsemanship Levels 1, 2, and 3
- **4-H enrollment opens October 1. Members must be enrolled by January 1, 2025 for clubs to pay their member dues. Families are responsible for Cloverbud dues and any project costs (shooting sports fees, book fees, etc.) Following enrollment on ZSuite, families will receive an invoice and information on picking up project books, etc.**
- **Enrollment For Re-Enrolling Families**
 - Using your computer, smart phone or other device go to 4h.zsuite.org.
 - 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.
 - Arrive at your HOUSEHOLD DASHBOARD. Click on the name of the family member you want to re-enroll, click on the blue "start enrollment" button and follow the steps.
 - Complete/Update the personal information, waivers, club and projects and hit SUBMIT. Extension Office will follow up with payment step/project books.
- **Enrollment For New 4-H Families (families not enrolled in the last 2 years)**
 - Using your computer, smart phone or other device go to 4h.zsuite.org.
 - Click Sign Up. Complete all of the fields. Click LET'S GO.
 - 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.
 - Complete the personal information, waivers, club and projects and hit SUBMIT. Extension Office will follow up with payment step/project books.

Elyse Bengtson - Montana 4-H spotlight

September 20 Elyse Bengtson was featured on the Voices of Montana program as a Montana 4-H Spotlight! The recording is up if you want to catch Elyse and Kari.

Fall Leadership Training

Nov. 1-3, 2024 in Billings, Montana

Fall Leadership Training is the annual leadership development retreat for Montana 4-H Ambassadors and Teen Leaders. The event is planned, implemented, and evaluated by the State Ambassador Officer Team. Youth will leave the weekend prepared and excited to take the knowledge and skills they have gained and apply them in their counties. It is also a great place to have youth leaders exchange ideas and create a statewide network of resources.

Youth 14 and up (as of October 1, 2024) are eligible. Participants must register in ZSuites. The weekend runs from Friday evening (5:30 p.m. start) to Sunday morning (10:30 a.m. close) with all meals and lodging included. This is a great opportunity to meet other 4-H teen leaders from across MT and grow as a leader.

Friday November 1

- 5:30-6:30 PM
Registration and room check-in
- 7:00 PM Opening and group activities

Saturday November 2

- 9:00- 12:00
Leadership skill workshops
- Lunch
- 1:30 – 4:00 Officer team led workshops
- 6:30 PM Leadership Banquet and Dance

Sunday November 3

- Breakfast
- Ambassador Meeting
- Closing activities and reflection



***Open to all teens 14 and up
Scholarships available through Bret Wanken
Memorial Fund and Glacier County 4-H
Council, see website for forms***



Cloverbud News: 1st Meeting of the Year October 14th, 4:00 p.m. @ HC Davis Cafeteria

We're thrilled to welcome Allie Tuma as our new Cloverbud leader! Get ready for fun-filled **Monday afternoons (second Monday/month) from 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.** Our Cloverbuds can look forward to educational lessons, crafts, learning about 4-H and its projects, recreation time, and yummy snacks. Mark your calendars now for the **first Cloverbud meeting of the year on Monday, October 14th, at 4:00 p.m. at HC Davis Cafeteria.** Join us in welcoming Allie and kicking off a fantastic year of Cloverbud adventures. Don't miss out on the fun! If interested in joining or learning more about Cloverbuds, contact Lisa at 873-2239 or lterry@montana.edu.

Kid's Kitchen: Medieval Meat Pie Workshop October 17th & 18th, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



Get ready to don your aprons and chef hats! We're excited to announce a new "Kid's Kitchen" series. Join us from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Cut Bank High School FACS classroom for culinary fun and learning!

Our first adventure will be a two day event and kicks off on **October 17th & 18th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM each day.** We're traveling back in time with "*Medieval Baking: The History of Pies*"! Discover the tasty secrets of the Middle Ages as we explore the origins of these delicious pastries that started as eating vessels.

You do not have to be in a cooking project to take the class. Invite your school friends to attend as well. This is an excellent opportunity to help us recruit new members to join the number one youth development program in the United States! This is also the perfect time of year to join!

Don't miss this chance to bake, learn, and have a blast! Space is limited, so mark your calendars now! **The deadline to enroll in the class and pay the \$10.00 fee is Friday, October 8th** but don't wait that long to register! Please have exact cash or make checks payable to MSU Extension. You may contact Lisa to sign up for the class by emailing her at lterry@montana.edu or call her at 406-873-2239. You may also register at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/2dhah3hm> or scan this QR code.



Next Kid's Kitchen, Friday November 15th - Cookies!

- **National 4-H Week is October 6 - 12**

- Clubs are encouraged to create a window display that can be up through 4-H Week (and October, ideally) showing how 4-H is Beyond Ready. Displays will be judged with clubs receiving \$30 (1st place) or \$25 (2nd place).
- Wednesday, October 9 - Wear your 4-H shirts to school, Latte Da will have 4-H stickers on their cups as well
- Clubs will receive a list of 4-H supporters to deliver goodies to during 4-H Week as a thank you for their support
- Homecoming Parade - 4-H clubs are invited to participate in the Homecoming parade
- Locker decorating - Ambassadors are planning to decorate middle school & high school 4-Her's lockers.



Beyond Ready! National 4-H Week October 6-12

Beef Workshop

Hill County is hosting a Beef Selection and Nutrition Workshop on October 13th and would like to invite any of the 4-H/FFA youth that may be interested. The workshop will be from 2 - 4 p.m. at Northern Ag Research Center just south of Havre on HWY 87. Registration opens on ZSuites on October 1.

Steer Selection and Nutrition Workshop

October 13, 2024

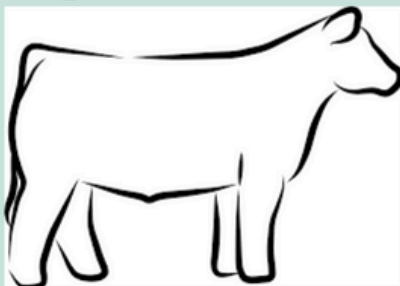
2pm-4pm

Hill County Beef Expectation Meeting

4pm-5pm

Northern Ag Research Center

Register on ZSuites



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Livestock Financing Limits have Increased

If you are looking for a way to finance your 4-H projects for this year, consider visiting with the Farm Service Agency. They recently increased the loan limit to \$10,000 and funds can be used for the purchase of animals, feed, supplies, etc. Youth between the ages of 10 and 20 are eligible. Loans are repaid annually and can be termed out for up to seven years for the purchase of breeding stock. The interest rate is currently 5.25%. Please contact Lacy Roberts or Eric Morrisett at the Glacier County FSA at 406-873-5618 ext. 2.

Volunteer Sign-Up Begins October 1st!

Attention 4-H supporters! Leader sign-ups begin October 1st, and we encourage you to sign up during that first week so paperwork can be processed quickly. New volunteers will need to complete a volunteer orientation. For more information or to sign up, contact Lisa at lterry@montana.edu or call 406-873-2239. Your leadership can make a difference in young lives.

Calling All 4-H Artists! Introducing the Marias Fair Cup Logo Contest!



Get ready to showcase your creativity and artistic talents, 4-H members! We're thrilled to announce the Marias Fair Cup Logo Contest, open to all 4-H'ers in Glacier, Liberty, Pondera, and Toole Counties and the Blackfeet Reservation.

This exciting competition invites you to design a one-of-a-kind logo that will be featured on the official Marias Fair stadium cups. Your drawing or digital artwork must incorporate the iconic 4-H clover and be limited to just two colors. Whether you prefer the classic feel of sketching or the digital magic of graphic design, let your imagination run wild! Imagine seeing your creation proudly displayed at the fairgrounds, used by fairgoers from across the region.

This is your chance to leave a lasting mark on the Marias Fair experience. So grab your pencils, styluses, or graphic tablets, and get ready to go "Beyond Ready" with an unforgettable logo that captures the spirit of 4-H. The contest is open now, so start designing your masterpiece today! Deadline to enter the contest is November 1st. Email your artwork to Lisa Terry at lterry@montana.edu.

Butter Braids Fund-Rasier is here! Read Carefully!



The Butter Braid fundraiser is officially underway, so start reaching out to your friends, family, and neighbors. 4-H members across the county will sell these irresistible pastries to raise funds for their clubs. This year, the stakes are even higher, with groups selling 250 units or more earning a 40% profit, while those selling less than 250 will receive just over 35%.

Steps in the process:

1. Collect payment from customers at the time of sale.
2. Have customers make checks payable to your specific 4-H club, NOT the extension office.
3. After the sale concludes, each club will submit a single check to "Success in Fundraising," deducting your applicable 40% or 35% commission.
4. The Butter Braid selling period ends on October 29th.
5. Please submit all order forms and your club's check to Lisa at the Extension office by the deadline.

Important: Do NOT forward individual customer checks to our office. Only club checks should be submitted.

The Golden Triangle 4-H Volunteer Summit will be Saturday, November 16 at the First Baptist Church in Shelby from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Lunch will be provided, and childcare is pending.

Anyone involved in a 4-H volunteer or leadership role is welcome and encouraged to participate. Please 'Save the Date' and watch for upcoming registration information.

2024 Golden Triangle 4-H Volunteer Summit

Saturday, November 16, 2024

First Baptist Church
Shelby, MT

9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Lunch Provided
Childcare Pending

Workshops & Networking



For more information:
Contact your location Extension Office or
Kari Lewis, kari.lewis@montana.edu
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Shooting Sports Trainings

Would you be interested in volunteering with archery, air rifle, air pistol, or shotgun? Trainings are coming up, please contact Kari for details. A certified leader is required to conduct practices and these are also an opportunity for youth leaders to become certified as well.

To be a certified leader in the State of Montana, must:

- Be at least 21 years of age.
- Be enrolled as a leader in their respective County. Passed a background check and successfully completed the Montana 4-H Volunteer Training Modules.
- All training attendees must complete the four National 4-H Shooting Sports modules on Z-Suites to be certified at the end of the practicum day. Please go to the 4-H Shooting Sports College at 4-hshootingsportscollege.com. The code for Z-Suites is NSS-MSU-FQ99W5JMD. Please see the attached instructions.
- Be trained and certified in any discipline(s) that they are teaching at the county level.
- Participants must attend the entire training and successfully complete all aspects to receive their respective discipline certification.
- Certification is good for seven (7) years. If the discipline is not taught in the first 2 years, the course must be retaken.

To be a youth leader, youth need to be 14 or older.



Upcoming Training:
Kalispell –
December 6-7, 2024.

Weekly shooting sports practices typically begin in November for archery and December for Air Rifle/Pistol. Leaders, watch your email for a future planning meeting. Families will be contacted to select a practice time once schedule is set. Shooting sports fees are \$30/member or capped at \$50/family.

Club Related

- **MSU Extension Conference Room**

- The conference room is again available at the Extension Office for meetings, etc. Please contact Kari or Lisa to get on the calendar and about picking up a key. Please be sure to leave the room clean and tidy when leaving (chairs pushed in, garbage thrown away, etc.) The schedule is online at <https://glacier.msuextension.org/calendar.html>.

- **Social Media**

- Just a reminder that social media is a good place to post reminders, share pictures, etc. However, planning of club activities, making decisions, etc. needs to happen within the scope of a club meeting where all youth members can participate in the discussion and voting, and youth are growing and leading the decision-making. Find us on the links below.

- **Club Planning**

- October is a great time to plan your coming 4-H year and decide what activities you would like to focus on. Use the Yearly Club Plan at http://montana4h.org/documents/resources/club/program_plan_fillable.pdf to outline your year.

Club Officers - what do they do?

Club officers are elected annually, with the number of officers determined by the club. Officers should regularly attend meetings and take a leadership role for their club. Each club has officer manuals that outline officer duties. Here are some basic responsibilities for club officers:

- President - Prepares the agenda with other officers and leader input, and presides at club meetings.
- Vice President - Assumes President's duties in their absence, and has the responsibility to oversee committees within the club.
- Secretary - Keeps complete and accurate records/minutes of each club meeting, and writes all club correspondence (such as thank you notes, etc.) Keeps club attendance records, and submits meeting minutes to the Extension Office monthly.
- Treasurer - Handles all club money, keeps accurate and up-to-date financial records, picks up bank statements from Extension Offices, and advises club monthly of their current balance.
- Historian - Maintains and updates the club's history book to preserve information for future club members.
- Reporter - Writes news stories and/or takes pictures of club events for the 4-H newsletter and/or local newspaper.
- Recreation Leader - Leads club in recreational activities such as games, icebreakers, etc. during or after the meetings.
- Additional club offices may be added/removed as determined by the club needs.

Club Leaders

- Cloverbuds - Allie Tuma (Meetings 2nd Mondays of the month, 4:00- 5:15 p.m.) HC Davis Cafeteria
- Open Range - Andrea Bengtson (Meetings 2nd Sundays of the month, 6:30 p.m.)
- Longview - Raylee Johnson (Meetings 2nd Sundays of the month, tentatively 7 p.m.)
- Clever Clovers - Kate Morrisett & Sahm Winkowitsch (Meeting October 6, 5 p.m., location TBA)

Thank you to Louise Kaquatosh and Regina Wilder for their leadership with the Curry Comb 4-H club this past year. Curry Comb is going to be on pause this year, and the EIN will be kept active in the event that at least 3 families would like to continue it or start a new club with that EIN in future years.

Achievement Day

Glacier County 4-H celebrated a successful Achievement Day on Sunday, September 29th, honoring the hard work and accomplishments of our youth members. The event was highlighted by special guest Jane Wolery from the Montana 4-H Foundation, who shared inspiring insights about the impact of 4-H and the Foundation's role in supporting youth development.

A standout moment came from 4-H member Olivia Bradley, who presented her innovative "Branding Cut Bank" project. Olivia explained how she spearheaded a fundraising initiative to help community members display their brands on a local building, showcasing the community engagement that 4-H fosters.

The day was filled with recognition of members' achievements, from project completions to leadership roles. Awards were presented, and the dedication of volunteers was celebrated. This Achievement Day not only honored the past year's accomplishments but also inspired our 4-H members to set new goals and continue their growth in the coming year.

The event served as a powerful reminder of the positive influence 4-H has on our youth and the broader community, emphasizing the program's commitment to developing future leaders through hands-on learning and community service.







Sammie McCauley, 4-Her of the Year Chris Wilder, 4-H Leader of the Year

Awards Winners at Achievement Day

4-H Member Certificates of Completion

Graduating Cloverbuds

Avery Frey
 Ryker Fugle
 Dawsyn Geer
 Elizabeth Hamby
 Terrance Isley
 Shannon McCauley
 Rylie Reeverts
 Emallea Wahl
 Reace Wilder
 Riley Wilder

Year 1

Case Connors
 Wesley Dagle
 McCoy Singer
 Joshua Stoltz
 Ryatt Reeverts
 Stella Wahl
 Elliot Wahl

Year 2

Landon Connors
 Beau Dagle
 Ray Dagle
 Colt Laverdure
 Sebastian McKenzie
 Knox Singer
 Nash Singer
 Alex Wahl

Year 3

Mac McCauley

Year 4

Brody Stokes

Year 5

Sammie McCauley
 Emily Roberts
 Bodie Barbie
 Hugh Walker
 Bradley
 Corin Brown

Year 6

Lexi Stubbs
 Janae Roberts
 Alec Morrisett
 Peyton Volkman

Year 7

Elyse Bengtson
 Olivia Bradley
 Ethan Brown
 Will Suta

Year 8

RJ Barbie
 Destini Anderson

Year 9

Brad Hjartarson
 Ashlyn Brown
 Dallas Berkram

Year 10

Addisyn Bengtson
 Katelyn Suta
 Jed Winkowitsch
 Ken Winkowitsch

Community Service & Leadership Recognition

Destini Anderson
 Addisyn Bengtson
 Elyse Bengtson
 Olivia Bradley
 Ashlyn Brown
 Brad Hjartarson
 Sammie McCauley
 Sebastian McKenzie
 Emily Roberts
 Janae Roberts
 Lexi Stubbs
 Katelyn Suta
 Morgan Wilder
 Beretta Winkowitsch

4-H Leader Recognition

Year 1

Shellisa Dagle
 Rolland Heagy
 Jack Norman
 Hollie Schneiderhan
 Chrystal White

Year 2

Regina Wilder
 Louise Atole

Year 3

Bess Hjartarson
 Eric Morrisett
 Kate Morrisett

Year 4

Andrea Bengtson

Year 5

Brittany Hotchkiss
 Christopher Wilder
 LeAnne Winkowitsch
 Samantha
 Winkowitsch

Year 6

Sarah Thies

Year 7

Mary Anderson

Year 8

Rachel Brown

Year 10

Brian Aspevig

Year 11

JoDean Rooney

Year 12

Raylee Johnson

Art Rooney

Year 14

Kathleen Barbie

Year 16

Bonnie Thies

Year 18

Hapi Seewald

Year 23

Jodi Duncan

Year 28

Jay Aspevig

Year 32

Barbara Aspevig

Awards continued

4-H County Awards Certificates of Achievement & Medallions

Air Rifle

Mac McCauley

Archery

Brody Stokes
Hugh Bradley
Brad Hjartarson

Baking

Olivia Bradley

Beef Breeding

Addisyn Bengtson
Elyse Bengtson
Mac McCauley
Sammie McCauley
Emily Roberts
Janae Roberts

Cake Decorating

Addisyn Bengtson

Cat

Emily Roberts

Dairy

Sammie McCauley

Goat

Ashlyn Brown
Ethan Brown
Case Connors
Lexi Stubbs

Leathercraft

Mac McCauley

Market Beef

Addisyn Bengtson
Elyse Bengtson
Olivia Bradley
Sammie McCauley
Emily Roberts
Janae Roberts

Photography

Janae Roberts

Poultry

Landon Connors
Lexi Stubbs

Sheep

Sammie McCauley

Market Swine

Destini Anderson
Ashlyn Brown
Mac McCauley
Brody Stokes

Teen Leadership

Destini Anderson
Addisyn Bengtson
Elyse Bengtson
Olivia Bradley
Ashlyn Brown

Quilting

Ashlyn Brown

Welding

Ethan Brown

Vet Science

Destini Anderson

Woodworking

Corin Brown
Ethan Brown

Emerald Achievement

Ethan Brown

Bronze Achievement

Emily Roberts

Silver Achievement

Janae Roberts
Lexi Stubbs

Gold Achievement

Addisyn Bengtson
Ashlyn Brown

Parent's Puzzler:

How can my child compete for a county award medallion?

To be considered for a county 4-H award and receive a medallion, members must submit their record books by the first deadline set by the Extension office.

Those whose record books meet the criteria will be invited by email to participate in the Awards Showcase.

At the Awards Showcase, members will be interviewed about their projects and their record books/project books reviewed. If the judge determines the member's project work merits the award, they will receive a medallion at Achievement Day.

More information on additional awards can be found at our Glacier County 4-H Website at

<https://www.montana.edu/extension/glacier/4H.html>



Ready for a delicious adventure?

Our 4-H cheesecake booth is right around the corner! See the flyer below, created by Destini Anderson, our event organizer, to sign up to bring a cheesecake for the bake off! You may also sign up to work the booth as this link or QR code.



Booth worker sign up

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080444A9AF2DA2FE3-51902464-cheese#/>

Glacier County 4-H Cheesecake Bake Off!



November 2, 2024
Cut Bank Holiday Bazaar

- Enter your cheesecake in the bake off at the 4-H booth at the Holiday Bazaar.
- Cheesecakes may be dropped off at 8:30 a.m. and judging will begin at 9:30 a.m.
- Stop by for an amazing slice of cheesecake while you shop around at the Holiday Bazaar!
- All Proceeds benefit the Glacier County 4-Hers.



Scan for Cheesecake sign-up