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Communication Day
West-Rudyard



Archery 6:30 p.m.

Chuckwagon Mtg. 4 p.m.
State Awards Due 5 p.m.
Award & Rec Mtg. 5 p.m.
Livestock Mtg. 7 p.m.
Archery 6:30 p.m.

Cloverbud Club
3:30 p.m.

Council Meeting
Rudyard 7 p.m.

Exchange Mtg.
1:30 p.m.
Jr. Ambassador
Applications due

Market Goat, Lamb and Pig Weigh-in

Landfill Cleanup
1 p.m.
Camp Meeting
afterwards

Foundation Meeting
7 p.m.

Archery 6:30 p.m.

Market Goat, Lamb and Pig Weigh-in April 17-27

Market Goat, Sheep
& Swine weigh-in
ends 5 p.m.

Archery 6:30 p.m.

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Hill County 4-H Newsletter

April 2009

Attention All 4-H Clubs County Wide Fundraiser April 19, 2009 - 1 p.m. Hill County Landfill

At this time 4-H will work with Unified Disposal to remove garbage in designated areas near the city/county landfill. **Each 4-H club will need to have 10-15 members and adults present on the designated day.** Hill County 4-H will received \$1500 for the work. A pizza party will follow the fundraiser at the Community Building at the Great Northern Fairgrounds. Please make sure you dress appropriate for the occasion;

- * Hard soul shoes
- *Work clothes
- *Work gloves

The garbage that is going to be picked up has escaped several fences surrounding the landfill with high winds in the area. Most of the trash is the plastic bags used at retailers. If you have any questions contact the Extension office. **Directions: Drive a 1/2 mile past the Hill County Landfill, turn right, drive till you pass the haystack yard.** There will be a sign-in to determine if all clubs are participating.

Thank you to Sunrise and Northern Lights 4-H clubs for participating in the \$40 club challenge. They both donated \$40 that went to the Montana 4-H Foundation to help celebrate it's 40th Anniversary. Your club can still help the Montana 4-H Foundation celebrate the 40th Anniversary. If you are interested in participating submit your donation to the Hill County Extension office to insure credit for your efforts.

Please make checks payable to the Montana 4-H Foundation.



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Congratulations! Blue Horizon 4-H Club

The MT 4-H Foundation is pleased to announce the winners of the 2009 People Partner Grants. Because this program is supported by an endowment, coupled with the downturn investments have taken this year, we were only able to fund 7 of the 34 applicants. We appreciate the efforts of the 4-H youth across Montana that are completing projects to improve the quality of life in their communities. Blue Horizon receive \$216 to use for the extreme makeover project at the Northern Montana Care Center.

Montana 4-H Foundation

ATTENTION ALL 4-H CLUBS!!

If your club is planning on doing a fundraiser, it must be approved by an extension agent **before** conducting the fundraiser. After the fundraiser is approved and the fundraiser is held you have 60 days to report the outcome.

Drop/Add 4-H Projects

Projects need to be reviewed with your organizational leader to determine if you are signed up for all of your 4-H projects. We often get excited in the beginning of the year and sign up for more projects than we have time for or forget some. Now is the time to review your projects with your organizational leader to determine what, if any, you want to drop or add. Have your organizational leader contact the office about the changes in your projects. **Changes will not be accepted by members or parents. Deadline for changes is April 15th.**

4-H Camp is looking for chaperones

4-H Camp is in need of Adult Chaperones. Camp will be held June 21-24th. We cannot hold camp with-out the chaperones. If any parents or leaders are interested in chaperoning contact Emi at the extension office, 265-5481.

Up Coming Events

April 2009

- 5 Communication Day (West)
- 7 Archery, Bear Paw Bowman Archery Range 6:30 p.m.
- 9 Cloverbud Club, Holiday Village Mall 3:30 p.m.
- 10 Junior Ambassador Applications due in Extension Office 5 p.m.
- 10 4-H Teen Exchange Meeting, Hill County Courthouse Annex 1:30 p.m.
- 14 Chuckwagon Meeting, Hill County Courthouse Annex 4 p.m.
- 14 State Awards Applications due in Extension Office 5 p.m.
- 14 Awards and Rec. Meeting, Hill County Courthouse Annex 5 p.m.
- 14 Livestock Meeting, Hill County Courthouse Annex 7 p.m.
- 14 Archery, Bear Paw Bowman Archery Range 6:30 p.m.
- 16 Council Meeting, Rudyard, Senior Citizen Center 7 p.m.
- 19 County Fundraiser, Hill County Landfill 1 p.m.
- 19 Camp Committee Meeting following cleanup at fairgrounds
- 20 4-H Foundation Meeting, Hill County Courthouse Annex 7 p.m.
- 21 Archery, Bear Paw Bowman Archery Range 6:30 p.m.
- 19-25 National Volunteer Week
- 28 Archery, Bear Paw Bowman Archery Range 6:30 p.m.

May 2009

- 1 State 4-H Foundation Scholarships & Awards applications due to State 4-H office
- 1 Hill County 4-H Scholarship due to Extension office
- 10 Mother's Day
- 14 Chuckwagon Meeting, Chuckwagon Building, 5 p.m.
- 22 Camp Registration due in Extension Office
- 25 Holiday, Memorial Day, Office Closed
- 26 Fashion Revue & Quilting applications due
- 27 Clothing Committee Meeting, Hill County Courthouse Annex, 4 p.m.

June 2009

- 1 Congress Applications due to extension office
- 9 Fashion & Quilt Revue, NMCC
- 9 Livestock Committee Meeting, Hill County Courthouse Annex, 7 p.m.
- 18 Council Meeting, Hill County Courthouse Annex, 7 p.m.
- 19 Fair Entries due in Extension Office
- 19 Teen Rep/Queen Applications due
- 21 Father's Day
- 21-24 4-H Camp



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<p>4-H Livestock Committee April 14, 2009 Hill County Courthouse Annex 7 p.m.</p> <p>Call to Order Pledges Minutes of January 8th Meeting Communications: Committee Reports: Beef Swine Sheep/Goat Horse Dog- Need Superintendent Small Animals (rabbit, poultry, cat and pocket pet) Old Business: Ultra sound info. Herdsmanship penalty Fair Judges Other New Business: Other Adjournment</p>	<p>Hill County 4-H Council April 16, 2009 Rudyard Senior Citizen Center 7 p.m.</p> <p>Call to Order Pledges Minutes of January 19th meeting Committee Reports: Livestock Camp Chuckwagon Awards & Recognition Other Old Business Other New Business Fair Schedule Other Adjournment</p>	<p>Hill County 4-H Foundation April 20, 2009 Hill County Courthouse Annex 7 p.m.</p> <p>Call to Order Pledges Minutes of February 17, meeting Communications Committee Reports Investment - Vic Velk Old Business Chuckwagon Other New Business Other Adjourn</p>
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State 4-H Congress July 7-10, 2009

The Montana 4-H Youth Congress program is designed to provide state wide educational and competitive events for 4-Hers. The state 4-H office is encouraging all senior member to attend. There are many educational activities scheduled for those who are not involved in competitive events. Members must be 14-19 years of age as of October 1, 2008. Hill County has partial funding for those members that qualify for a contest, such as: Demonstrations, Livestock Judging, Horse Judging, Stir-ups, Horse Skill-A Thon, Illustrated Talks, Gavel Games, Fashion Revue, Quilt Revue, Public Speaking and WHEP (Wildlife and Habitat Education Program).

4-H: The Youth Development Program of MSU Extension

Private Elk Hunt Raffle

Win a private ranch elk hunt donated by Kim and Cindy Kafka. The elk is guaranteed to be an 380" - 400" trophy bull elk. The Hill County 4-H market livestock members are selling the raffle ticket for \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20. All proceeds will go towards the livestock ultrasounding fees. The drawing will be held July 19th during the Market livestock sale. Tickets will be on sale until July 14th.

4-H CHUCKWAGON

If the Chuckwagon is to have improvements completed by fair time, we need to get bids. If you or someone you know would be interested in bidding a new roof please contact the Hill County Extension office.

Teen Camp Opportunity!

This camp is designed specifically for teens! This is an opportunity for all Ravalli County and Montana 4-H members. Registration for in-county is open now, out of county youth can apply on May 15, 2009. So, get your registration in as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

When is Ravalli County Teen Camp?

July 29-August 1, 2009 (Wed.-Sat.) For youth 4-H Age 13 and up.

Where is it?

LOON LAKE 4-H CAMP - BIG FORK, MT

What does it cost?

COST: \$95.00 - 9 meals, snacks, cabin bunk with mattress, hot showers, canoeing, swimming, campfires, fun workshops, games, camp t-shirt and dance.

Registration starts May 15 for non-Ravalli County youth. Get your registration in, space is limited!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, July 17, 2009. Refunds until July 1, 2009

Registration forms are available at the Hill County Extension office.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED:

Experience another culture first hand by hosting a foreign youth or a young adult this summer.

- The 4-H Center for Youth Development has 24 Japanese kids, ranging in age from 12-16, coming to Montana from July 21-August 18. Enthusiastic families are needed to host these youth for the month.
- International Foreign Youth Exchange (IFYE) is in need of homes for young adults for a three week period. Representatives are from Germany, England, Finland and Taiwan. Need not have youth in your home to host these representatives.

No special plans are required just a willingness to share your daily lives with someone from another country. If you are interested, please contact Stephanie Davison at 994-3502 or sdavison@montana.edu.

Joani Kissock Clinic

Blaine County is once again hosting a Joani Kissock horsemanship clinic. The clinic will be held June 6th at the Blaine County Fairgrounds. Registration will be out in May. Call the Blaine County Extension office for details, 357-3200.

Fashion and Quilt Revue June 9th, 2009

The quilt and fashion revue is approaching quickly. All quilts and fashion revue items must have been made during the current 4-H year. Quilts must be sewn and quilted by the 4-H member. **Entry forms for this event are due May 26th.** You can pick up the entry forms at the extension office. Senior members that receive a blue ribbon in the show are eligible to compete at 4-H congress. **Senior members that are competing in the revue must have their Congress write-up with your entry form (pick up Congress Fashion or Quilt Revue forms at the extension office).**

Lamb, Goat & Swine Weigh-In

April 17 - April 27, 2009 by 5p.m. are the dates for market lamb, goat and swine weigh-in for the fair. **Don't forget to reserve the tagger.** Remember weights for the fair! Lambs must weigh 100 lbs to sell and swine projects must weigh 210 lbs to sell, and the sale weight will be 300 lbs if the weight is over 300 lbs. To inquire about goat weights contact the extension office for details.

Remember the 4-H Market Lamb Tail Docking Requirement

The Hill County livestock committee has a policy with regard to lamb tail docking length. Research from around the United States has shown that excessively short lamb tail docking contributes to rectal prolapse problems as lambs progress through the finishing process. Hill County members will be required to purchase lambs with a 1-1/4 inch tail dock and will not be allowed to show or sell their lambs if they do not have a minimum tail dock length at fair time. This will be determined by use of the *DeTail Device*; each club in the county received this device. If you have any questions, call the extension office.

Reminder to Market Livestock Members Selling Elk Raffle Ticket

Please make sure you are turning in your sold tickets and money on a weekly basis. There are more tickets available if needed. Starting May 1st, 4-H Foundation members and leaders are going to start selling the raffle tickets.

The following market livestock members have not picked up their elk raffle tickets.

Karston Donovan	Miguel Ley	Taylor Springer
Kyle Kirkpatrick	Phillip Ley	Jon Stoner
Nathan Korb	Kaleb Schafer	Breeze Solomon

\$50 per child. The kids are asked to bring money to eat on the way down and the way home. It is a great time for the kids and chaperones that attend.

Other Old Business- Penny for the food bank received a Thank you.

All clubs need to get their policy and procedures back to the extension office. Also Joe explained how each club needs to register by e-post card.

New Business

Jennifer- would like to remind everyone that we need to review curriculum books

Joe – Large Animal

Emi- Small Animal

Jennifer- Science and Technology

Other New Business

Rebecca reported that Liga is taking on sewing and is ready to start pillow cases for 4th, 5th and 6th grade 4-H'ers on February 21st to March 21st 2009

Jennifer wanted to invite everyone into the office to meet Pam Johnson- she is new to the office as she took over for Fern Larson. When you are able stop in and say hi.

Alma is attending a work shop on Montana 4-H 100 year old book. If you get a call from a 4-H'er they are interviewing people in Hill County and will be asking them to gather information

Kelly made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ruby motion carried
Next Meeting will be in April in Rudyard

Respectfully submitted by
Kelly Compton
Secretary

These minutes are unofficial until they are approved at the April 14th meeting.

Rec Lab 2009

Rec lab was held in Forsyth, MT, Hill County had nine members attend the state event. Those that participated were: Savannah Faber, Tabitha Myers, Katie Beck, Katelyn Springer, Ryann Preputin, Colter Bickford, Brad Duncan, Quinn Spinler, Nathan Holden and chaperones Rose Spinler and Jennifer Wells. Thank you to Rose for volunteering to chaperone Rec Lab. Fun was had by all.

Project Animal Waiver Forms

The following members still need to turn in their animal project waiver form. These forms are for livestock, cats, dogs, pocket pets, poultry and rabbits. If you have any question contact Emi at the extension office.

Kolten Adams	Mina Everingham	Gavin Spinler
Hailey Beach	Kyle Kirkpatrick	Breeze Solomon
Nykolaus Beach	Miguel Ley	Mackenzie Tilleman
Abigail Bohn	Phillip Ley	Tyler Ann Zuidema
China Bohn	TJ Mackmer	
Kailee Collins	Destiny Martin	
Izhanna Erickson	Kaleb Schafer	



Hill County Council Minutes

HILL COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL QUARTERLY MEETING Hill County Courthouse
Annex JANUARY 15, 2009

Members in attendance were Chairman Heidi Kinsella, Vice Chairman Janet Crowder, Secretary Kelly Compton, County Agent Jennifer Wells and Joe Broesder, Alma Seidel, Tabitha Beck, Kris Holsapple, Rebecca Broesder, Abbie Broesder, Karla Vaughn, Kate-Lyn Compton, Rose Spinler, Quinn Spinler, Samantha Pester and Ruby Hould.

Council Chairman Heidi Kinsella called the meeting to order at 7 PM and led the pledges. Karla moved and Ruby seconded the minutes be approved. Motion carried.

No additions to the agenda

Committee Reports-

Livestock- Alma reported that all animals will have an IED tag. No animal will have to have a tattoo. Committee agreed to try the ultrasound 1 more year and charge the members according to the animal. Kim Kafka offered to donate a bull elk hunt to be raffled off with each market livestock member required to sell so many tickets, they could opt out and pay sales fees. All market animals will be charged a \$25 fee as done previously. Helmets will be required or 4-Her will have to sign a waiver for horses.

Ruby also reported that horse packing project be moved out of the non horse section to the live animal judging in the fair book. The livestock committee would also like to mix the appreciation dinner with the livestock sale. Kim Kafka also offered to barbecue. Clubs whose turn is in the rotation will assist with barbecue. Beef weigh in is schedule to be turned in by February 9th 2009.

Recognition Day- Ruby would like for the clubs to complete a survey on why they are not participating. A lot of work goes into this not only from the Leaders but also from the extension office. They also recognize people and it doesn't look good when there are so few of our members there. Ruby would like us all to think about ways to make this inviting for more people to attend, Jennifer ran through some stats there was 1 of 21 leaders present.

Exchange- Tabitha reported on the dinner in November. They raised \$3600-\$3700. There is a smaller group of kids then last year there are only 9 kids going this year. This is there year to travel. They feed about 160 people at the meal and the auction went well. There will be more information later on there travel.

Ambassadors- No ambassador prospects applied. There is a project planned fro spring 8th grade to a sophomore in High School re-apply in March.

Old Business

Camp- There was a meeting tonight 16 applicants will need 11 total. Ruby will be the director, Jessie Schroder will be the assistant, Janet Crowder has agreed to cook and they are checking with Dana Seidel to see if she will be the RN if not they have a back up plan.

Chuck wagon- There is a committee that is working on getting some contractors together to get a bid on the roof being re done. Some one working on the wiring, some one to work on the fans to cool it in the building, and someone to put up tin behind the stove to cover the peeling paint.

Rec Lab- is scheduled for March 20th – March 22nd 2009 it will be at the Forsyth School by Mile City. They leave at 10:00 am the cost is

Hill County 4-H Scholarship

The Hill County 4-H Scholarship Committee auctions off a plaque during the 4-H Livestock Sale to raise the funds to offer scholarships. The highest bidder will display the plaque for a year that has their name and year engraved on it. Qualifications to apply: 1.) have minimum three years 4-H enrollment in the Hill County 4-H program and are under the age of 22 at the time of application, 2.) will be a graduating high school senior or current college student, and 3.) are enrolled fulltime in a two year or four year Montana college, trade or technical school fall term. Preference will be given to an applicant attending MSU-Northern. Contact the Hill County Extension Office for more information. Deadline **May 1st**.

There are more scholarships with specific area of study, come to the extension office and check them out. If you have questions on any of these scholarships, please contact the Hill County Extension Office. We will be glad to help you find financial support for your college education.

Shoot Sport Review

This year we had four 4-H members in the 4-H Shooting Sports Air Rifle program. For the first time in many years we had two members participate in the State Postal Match hosted by Flathead County 4-H Shooting Sports. Quinn Spinler placed 68th and Jeremy Birkoski placed 80th out of 166 participants in the 11-14 year old age group. This is a very nice showing for our first attempt in a state wide event. Next year I am sure we will have more participants. To shoot in the state postal match you will need to begin practice before Thanksgiving next year as the official targets start the first week in December. If you like target shooting you can then progress to the State Shoulder Match. The top four participants in this event win the opportunity to participate in the National Shooting Sport Tournament against team members from around the United States.

The 4-H Shooting Sports program has Air Rifle, Small Bore, Shotgun, Blackpowder, Archery and Hunting as projects that you can participate in. To successfully run these programs we need 4-H trained leaders. If you know someone that might be interested in becoming a shooting sports leader, contact Joe at the Extension Office. The next scheduled training will be held in Laurel on May 1-2, 2009. Registration forms are available from Joe.

Laurel Shooting Sports Training

Hill County is looking for leaders to help with the shooting sports program. The next scheduled statewide shooting sports training will be hosted in Laurel on May 1-2, 2009. The cost of registration is \$50 for adults and \$25 for teen leaders. The foundation has funding available to assist with expenses. Contact the Hill County Extension office for more information.





Livestock Meeting Minutes

Hill County Livestock Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Faber. Present were Ruby Hould, Joe and Alma Seidel, Scott Chagnon, Lon Waid, Dave Bischoff, Rob Compton, Jessy Schroeder, and county agent Joe Broesder Following the pledges Alma moved to approve the minutes and Lon second.

Reports:

Beef: No report

Swine: No report

Goat/Sheep: No report

Horse: Dave reported that horse number did go up this year. There is also a member in packing class. He said it is now mandatory for that our county holds a helmet safety class, and that it will be mandatory for the kids to wear a helmet unless a release is signed. There will be a horse helmet training on February 24, and all kids with a horse project are required to take the class.

Dog: No report

Small Animals: No report

Old Business

EID tags - There was discussion on how we want to tag the pigs, sheep and goats. Also, how we could mark them so family members do not get them mixed up. It was brought to our attention if we go with EID tags we will not have to tattoo the animals. Lon moved we use EID tags on all the market animals, Joe Seidel second the motion, motion carried.

Also we talked about the costs of the tags. Scott moved that the county purchase the first set of tags per species, but the member would pay the cost for any additional animals.

Fundraiser - It was decided a committee should be made to set the details for the livestock ultrasound fundraiser. They would need to figure out a number of tickets for each livestock member to sell. Also things like how many tickets would be made, the date the ticket would be drawn. The committee consists of leaders Scott Chagnon, Lon Waid, Steve Faber, Rob Compton, and Kim Kafka. Joe Broesder said he would contact the county commissioners.

Wood Chips - Scott will try to get a big dumpster, maybe two.

Lon thought a few new clean bags would need to be purchased for the show rings and sale ring.

Animal Wavers - It was mentioned not all animal wavers have been turned in by members, and needed to be turned in ASAP.

Beef weigh In- Due to bad weather it had been decided by livestock team before the meeting that beef weigh -in would be done by the members themselves. Each member would be sent home with the number of needed tags, and would need to bring back a weight, and an optional picture.

Lon moved that the weigh in date cut off be Monday February 9th at 5:00p.m.

Dave seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Herdsmanship - We decided as superintendents that we need to enforce the herdsmanship rules. We also need to let organizational leaders know that they need to make sure their members are aware of the rules, and what Herdsmanship is. Alma is looking for judges, if anyone has any suggestions.

Top-Notch Angus - Lon reported that Tyler Davey came out in January and got the cow he received from Lynsey Waid. She is due to calve

4-H: The Youth Development Program of MSU Extension

the first part of April. A picture was taken at that time, and put in the Havre Daily with an article Lynsey wrote on the program.

NEW BUSINESS

Dog Superintendent - We have nobody at this time. Ruby will ask Danny Lassle if he is still interested.

Position Description- Joe Broesder gave all the superintendents forms describing their positions. They were to read and sign them, and return them right away.

Pictures- Alma asked about contacting Rick for pictures. She was given a yes.

Swine, Goat and Sheep weigh-In will be April 17-27

Judges - Mark King will be back as the large animal judge. Joe Broesder is still trying to make contact with the Sonja Gregory for ultrasounds. Jessy will make contact with last year's small animal judge.

Animal Numbers – Joe Broesder reported on animal numbers so far for this year. We had 38 Market beef, 4 breeding, 3 goats, 15 horses, 18 market lambs, 2 breeding sheep, 71 market hogs, 2 breeding hogs, 15 cats, 9 dogs, 14 rabbits, 5 poultry and 7 pocket pets.

Joe Broesder and Jennifer Wells will be going to 4-H Agent Update January 28- February 1.

If anyone has any comments on the livestock literature curriculum let them know and they will pass the comments on.

We finished off the meeting with discussion on moving the horse stalls up to the beef barn. Lon thought it could be done easily. We also thought that we will need to set up a walk through with Tim Solomon before the fair set up.

Ruby made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Joe Seidel seconded it.

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Project Training Day/Quality Assurance Training

Thank you to Tammy Duncan, Brad Duncan, Ryan Preputin, Zane Anderson, Daniel Hanson and Jordyn Eastlick for helping at this event. We had 15 members attend the project training day. The members attended either a bread making class that made homemade soft baked pretzels or went on a tour of Bob's Greenhouse and planted their own flowers to take home. Then the group learned about the life cycle by playing the Web of Life game, then Tammy Duncan went through what members need to complete their record books. After project training day the last quality assurance was held. The day was a success, the members took something home to share with friend and family.

