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Air Rifle, Fire Hall  
6:30 p.m.

Cloverbud Club  
3:30 p.m.  
Air Rifle, Fire Hall  
6:30 p.m.

Communications  
Day East  
Registration Due  
5 p.m.

Holiday  
Office Closed  
Foundation Meeting  
7:00 p.m.



Communications  
Day East 2 p.m.

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## Hill County 4-H Newsletter

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The Hill County 4-H Newsletter will only be printed every other month due to the amount of postage it uses on a yearly basis. If you or your club would like anything printed in the newsletter, make sure you check to see when the next newsletter will be going out. Tentatively the next newsletter will be going out in April.

### Elk Raffle Result By: Lynsey Waid

I would like to send a big thank you to Kim & Cindy Kafka of the Diamond K Ranch located west of Havre for their continuous support of the Hill County 4-H program. They very generously donated an elk hunt this fall valued at \$10,000 to raise money to offset the expense for the 4-H market livestock ultrasounds. I was very lucky to have been drawn for this experience. On the brisk windy morning of



November, Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>, me & my entourage consisting of my father, brother and a college buddy set out to follow our trusty guide Skip Owens to stalk my beautiful 380 class bull elk, that I harvested with one lethal shot. Thank you again to the Kafka's for making this wonderful experience possible! Thanks so much.

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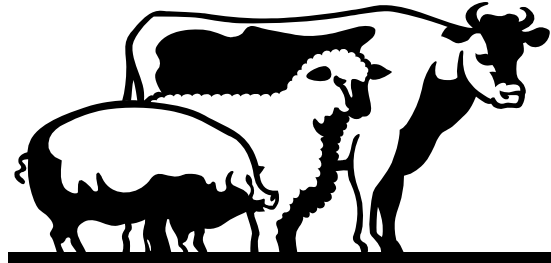
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315 4th Street  
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## Thank you Livestock Committee Officers

A big thank you goes out to Steve Faber, Lon Waid and Jessy Schroeder for being Chairman, Vice Chairman and Small Animal Superintendent for the livestock committee. Elections were held at the January meeting and the new officers are:

Livestock Chairman - Ron Konesky  
 Vice Chairman - Rob Compton  
 Secretary - Ruby Hould  
 Beef - J. Bob Hould  
 Swine - Mike Kinsella  
 Horse - David Bischoff  
 Sheep/Goat - Mark Wicks  
 Small Animals - Donna Whitmus



Dog superintendant has not been determined at this time. If anyone is interested in these position contact the MSU Hill County Extension office.

### Attention Parents and Leaders

If your child has a specific learning need, let us know so that their needs can be met. Arrangements can be made for most 4-H activities.

### ATTENTION!

### Independent Study and Self Determined Projects

There are several members that are enrolled in independent study and self determine projects. According to the guidelines for the self-determined and independent study projects, you must develop a plan and have it approved by the extension office. This is a little different from what the Montana 4-H Clover states. However, in the past, these two projects have often been used as a "catch all" category for 4-H projects and that is not their intent. If you are enrolled in a self-determined or independent study project, work with your leader to develop goals, method, procedure, etc., and bring them to the extension office by **April 1st** for approval. **If not submitted, you will not be able to exhibit those projects** at the fair. **The form will be mailed out to those members enrolled.**

### College Scholarships - New!! April 1st Deadline

If any of you are interested in college scholarships, please come to the extension office. We have a variety of scholarships that are available to senior 4-H members.

# Up Coming Events

## February 2010

- 1 People Partner Grant Applications postmarked
- 4 Air Rifle, Fire Hall 6:30 p.m.
- 11 Cloverbud Club, HVM Community Center 3:30 p.m.
- 11 Air Rifle, Fire Hall 6:30 p.m.
- 12 Communication Day East Registration Due
- 15 Holiday, Presidents' Day, Office Closed
- 16 4-H Foundation Meeting, HCCH Timmons Room 7 p.m.
- 21 Communications Day East 2 p.m. Location TBA

## March 2010

- 7 Teen Exchange Meeting, HCCH Timmons Room 3 p.m.
- 7 Camp Leadership Team Meeting, HCCH Timmons Room 4 p.m.
- 8 Rec Lab Registrations due to the MSU Hill County Extension
- 11 Cloverbud Club, HVM Community Center 3:30 p.m.
- 20 Project Training Day, HHS 12:45
- 20 Quality Assurance Training, HHS
- 20 Burger Cook-off, HHS
- 20 Horse Helmet Safety Training, HHS

## April 2010

- 1 Montana 4-H Foundation Scholarships due
- 5 Communication Day West Registration Due to Tammy Duncan
- 8 Cloverbud Club, HVM Community Center 3:30 p.m.
- 11 Communication Day West
- 12 State Awards due to extension office by 5 p.m.
- 12 Ambassador Application due to extension office by 5 p.m.
- 13 Awards & Rec. Committee Meeting, HCCH Timmons Room 5 p.m.
- 13 Livestock Committee Meeting, HCCH Timmons Room 7 p.m.
- 15 Council Meeting, Rudyard Senior Center 7 p.m.
- 16-18 Rec Lab, Corvallis, MT
- 19 Foundation Meeting, HCCH Timmons Room 7 p.m.

## May 2010

- 13 Chuckwagon Meeting @Chuckwagon 5 p.m.
- 21 4-H Camp Registration due at discounted rate.
- 25 Fashion and Quilt Revue Registration due 5 p.m.
- 26 Clothing Committee Meeting, HCCH Timmons Room 4 p.m.
- 31 Memorial Day - Holiday, Office Closed

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## FORMS NEEDED BY THE FOLLOWING CLUBS

### Civil Rights Form

Blue Horizon  
Chirping Meadowlarks  
Northern Lights

### Policy & Procedure Guideline Form

Bear Paw Beavers  
Kremlin Hawks  
Happy Havre

### **2008-09 Audit**

Bear Paw Beavers

**These forms NEED to be turned into the MSU Hill County Extension office by February 10th.**

### Junior 4-H Ambassador

If you are interested, pick up an application packet at the Hill County Extension office. All Jr. Ambassador applications are due in the Hill County Extension Office on April 12, 2009 by 5:00 p.m. No late applications will be accepted.

Remember, if you are chosen as Junior Ambassador, it is a 2 year commitment. **\*Must** be willing to travel, attend training sessions, and serve in ambassador roles when asked. You will be expected to teach during project trainings, organize county activities and attend 4-H Council meetings as a youth representative. Funds for this program are limited, so you may be responsible for some out of pocket expense.

### 4-H Foundation Meeting Courthouse Timmons Mtg. Room February 16, 2010 ~7 p.m. Agenda

Call to Order  
Pledges  
October 2009 minutes  
Communications  
Committee Reports  
Investment - Vic Velk

#### **Old Business**

Expenditures  
Chuckwagon  
Other

#### **New Business**

Account signatures  
Budget 2010  
Other

Adjourn

### 4-H Club Wanted

Bernie Inman is wondering if a 4-H club would be interested in providing concessions for the Antique Show that will be held on June 4-6, 2010. Call Bernie Inman for all the details 262-4422.

# Save The Date!

## Rec Lab April 16-18, 2010

Spark your Imagination and register today to attend the 2010 Montana 4-H Rec Lab. It will be held in Corvallis Montana, April 16-18. Mark Heyka, KECI TV First Alert Meteorologist and 11 year 4-H Alumni will kick off Rec Lab on Saturday, April 17, 2010. Over thirty different workshops are being offered over the course of five sessions ranging from archery and photography to the culinary arts and a scavenger hunt! Rec Lab provides youth an opportunity to meet other youth from across the state, develop leadership skills, and learn fun recreational activities that can be used in club settings, county events and at other unexpected moments. Rec Lab is for youth 13 years of age or older as of October 1, 2009. The registration fee is \$50.00. Lodging, workshop fees, meals, and a t-shirt are included in the registration fee. Be sure to mark your workshops, as they are determined on a first-come, first-serve basis. All participants will receive a 2010 Rec Lab t-shirt, so be sure to mark your size when you register. **Registration are available at the MSU Hill County Extension office. Registration deadline is March 8th, 2010.**

### Communications Day

All 4-H members are invited to compete in Communications Day. The categories are: **Cowboy Poetry, Speech, Illustrated Talk, Demonstration, Broadcasting, Interview and Commercial.** To gain additional experience, 4-H members may attend both East and West competitions but can only compete for awards in one location. Registration forms and job descriptions for the interview category are available at the extension office.

**Communications Day East-February 21st, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. Registration is due February 12th to the extension office by 5 p.m. Location will be determined by the number of participants.**

**Communication Day West- April 11th, 2010. Registrations are due to Tammy Duncan by April 5th, 2010**

To compete at State 4-H Congress, a **senior member** must receive a blue ribbon at the county level in Speech, Illustrated Talk or a Demonstration.

**Need help?** Tammy Duncan is willing to help anyone who is struggling with an idea or any other aspect of a demonstration or speech. Give Tammy a call to set up an appointment, 292-3503.

## Quality Assurance Training

The last quality assurance training will be held **Saturday, March 20, 2010 at the Havre High School during Project Training Day at 1:00 p.m.** Those members that have not received training this past year or those that are taking market animals for the first time must attend. If you have any questions about needing the class, call the extension office. You must have the training or you will not sell your market animal at the fair. Members needing to take the training are:

Tabbitha Davey  
Molly Herron  
Garrett Kane  
Gavin Spinler  
Jon Stoner  
Jordyn Warren  
Mike Compton  
Dylan Chvilicek

Aaron Erickson  
Jalissa Horinek  
Nathan Korb  
Quinn Spinler  
Rainey Stoner  
Paige Warren  
Olivia Bischoff  
Meggie Zook

Marca Herron  
Carson Kane  
Cole Schlotfeldt  
Anna Staples-Fraser  
Briana Warren  
Kassidy Compton  
Cassy Springer

***This is the last Quality Assurance Training for this year.  
There will NOT be a training in Rudyard.***



***Mandatory*** 4-H Horse  
Helmet Education Meeting  
During Project Training Day  
March 20, 2010 - 3:00 p.m.

Attention all 4-H horse members and parents this is a requirement that must be completed before members can participate in horse workshops and fair. This will be the only time this meeting is going to be offered. Listed below are the members that I have enrolled in the horse program. Member must complete this training once as a junior member and once as a senior member.

Neya Bischoff  
Regan Lammers  
Jordan Smith

Lacey Waid  
Olivia Bischoff

Siena Walter  
Jenna Meldrum

For those that are in horseless horse projects you may attend, but it is not required.

**4-H: The Youth Development Program of MSU Extension**

J.Bob Hould seconded the motion. The motion was carried. This now left the problem of only having one packing plant to offer the buyers. It was decided that Joe would also write a letter to all past buyers with a list of small packing plants. This way if they would like to make other arrangements for their meat they had some choices. This letter would also include an apology to the buyers with spoiled meat, and notify them we would no longer be using Malta packing plant.

Last the elections for new officers on the livestock committee were held.

Alma Seidel nominated Ron Konesky as new Chairman. Ron accepted the nomination, and gave up his sheep/goat superintendent position. The secretary casted an unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Alma Seidel moved that Ruby Hould remain the secretary. J.Bob Hould seconded it. Motion was carried.

Alma Seidel nominated, and Jessy Schroeder seconded Donna Whitmus as the new small animal superintendent. The secretary casted a unanimous vote. The motion was carried.

Alma Seidel nominated Mike Kinsella as the new swine superintendent. Joe Seidel seconded it. The secretary casted a unanimous vote, and motion was carried.

Scott Chagnon nominated Rob Compton as the new Vice Chairman, Alma Seidel seconded it, and Rob accepted. The vote carried.

Alma Seidel nominated Mark Wicks as the new sheep/goat superintendent. Ruby seconded the nomination, and Mark accepted. The vote was carried.

Following the elections, Alma asked if she should get Rick to take the pictures again. There were no objections to this.

Ruby made a motion to adjourn the meeting

Meeting was adjourned.

### **Lamb, Goat & Swine Weigh-In**

**April 16 - April 26, 2010 by 5 p.m.** is the dates for market lamb, goat and swine weigh-in for the fair. **Please call the office with the number of animals that you plan to weigh-in so we have your tags ready for you by March 12th. (If you forget to call in you won't have a tag for your animal).** 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.

### **Host an International Delegate Deadline – April 1, 2010**

It's the time of the year to start recruiting host families for our 2010 International Programs. Montana will host 35 month-long delegates from Japan, four high school students for a year and a number of IFYEs. If you are interested in hosting an international delegate contact MSU Hill County Extension office for more details.

Hill County 4-H Livestock Committee– Unofficial  
Hill County Courthouse  
January 19, 2010

Present at meeting: J.Bob and Ruby Hould, Alma and Joe Seidel, Hailey and Tony Belcourt, Rob Compton, Ron Konesky, Jessy Schroeder, Steve Faber, Scott Chagnon, Mark Wicks, Amanda Verploegen, Janet Crowder and agent Joe Broesder.

Chairman Steve Faber called the meeting to order, and lead the pledges.

Alma moved that the minutes from the last meeting be approved. Jessy Schroeder seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

#### Committee Reports:

Swine - Nothing

Horse - Nothing

Sheep/Goat - Nothing

Small animal - Nothing

Dog - Nothing

Beef - J.Bob Hould reported that beef weigh-in went well. There were about 36 steers weighed in.

#### Old Business:

There was discussion on the bedding of the livestock animals at the 2009 Great Northern Fair. The only concern with it was the way the small animal cages were set up. The reason for the different set-up was due to there being more pens for the pigs. This gave limited room for the small animal cages. It was left with the thought, that as fair 2010 gets closer we will need to do a count, and come up with a different arrangement.

Also there was concern expressed about the purchased wood chips, and the donated wood chips. Some feel it does not look nice with one next to the other, and makes the donated ones look dirty when they are not. A few people felt everyone should use the donated chips, and show there appreciation to the 4-H family that donates them. Others felt it was the member's choice to buy them if they wanted. Alma said there was some confusion with the herdsman judges, thinking the used ones were dirty. She did let them know it was a color difference.

Rob Compton reported back for the nominating committee. He said the following superintendents would be stepping down from their positions.

Steve Faber from Chairman, Lon Waid from Vice Chair, Rob Compton from Swine, and Jessy Schroeder from small animal. Keeping their positions would be Secretary Ruby Hould, Beef J.Bob Hould, and Ron Konesky sheep/goat. It was not known for sure about Horse superintendent Dave Bischoff. Also we were still looking for a dog leader. Rob shared that Mike Kinsella would be interested in taking over the swine. Also Donna Whitmus would be willing to take over the small animals.

Amanda was going to contact Diane Otto, to see if she would be interested in being the dog superintendent. It was then decided we would hold elections at the end of the meeting.

#### New Business:

There were two dates suggested for lamb/swine weigh-in. The first date of April 9-19 was an earlier date than most years. This would allow us to take part in an ultrasound symbol of excellence program. There is no program at the time, but could be a possibility in the future. Some concerns of conflict with this date were that a local sheep producer may not have sheep available that early. Also state Rec Lab would be taking place, and some of our teen members would be gone with that. The second date of April 16-26 seemed to look better to everyone attending the meeting. Ruby moved that the date for lamb/swine weigh-in be April 16-26. Rob seconded the motion. Motion carried, and the final weigh-in date is April 16-26.

The extension office has had several calls from buyers of the 2009 4-H livestock sale. The calls have been complaints, because their meat that they received back from the Malta packing plant was spoiled. Committee members were very concerned, on how this will affect our future sales. We really do not want to loose these buyers. Someone suggested reimbursing the buyers the money they spent on processing the meat. However everyone felt that Malta packing plant should be doing that. Joe will be writing a letter to the Malta Packing Plant expressing our feelings on this matter. Toney Belcourt moved that we do not use the Malta packing plant this year.

## Project Training Day

March 20, 2010

Havre High School

**Registrations will be available March 1st.**

### What would you like to see at Project Training Day?

Please let Emi know what kind of classes you would like at training day. Also, I am looking for any teen member or leader that would be interested in teaching a class during project training day. This is a great way for the member to have a fun learning experience. Deadline for class ideas and teachers will be February 12, 2010.

### Something NEW! BURGER COOK-OFF

This year during project training day, there will be a burger cook-off! Any 4-H member who is 12 years of age or older that is interested in being a participant contact Emi by March 1st. There is limited space.

The burger cook-off rules:

1. Provide copy of the recipe.
2. Burger ingredients can be your choice.
3. Burger **must** be cooked to the correct internal temperature according to the food safety guidelines.
4. Contestant must cook the burger creation on site. Must cook two burgers.
5. Contestant must bring their own ingredients. We will be using the HHS home economics room, so there will be cooking utensils. If you need special cooking items make sure you bring them from home. For example: outdoor grill.
6. Your burger creation will have to be competed within the 45 minute time limit. Then it will be judged by the 3 guest judges.
7. The burger will be judged in the following categories. Taste, Appearance, Convenient Preparation & cooking and Creativity.
8. Winner will receive a great prize and be the 2010 Burger Cook-off Champion.

## Certified Leaders

Volunteers can apply at anytime during the year, however after January 15, 2010 they may not begin direct volunteer service until they have been approved through the certification process). Certified leaders should have received a letter telling you that you are certified. If you did not receive an approval letter and would like a copy contact Emi at the MSU Hill County Extension office. If you have turned in your leader packet and paid your fees and you do not see your name on the list, it may be still in the process of being approved. **The follow leaders have been certified as of January 25, 2010.**

### Blue Horizon

Janet Crowder  
Jamie Moore  
Kristi Parrotte  
Darcy Zook  
Joe Seidel

Darrel Hannum  
Matt Moore  
Lue Waite  
Edna Gregory  
Shelma Seidel

Natalie Hannum  
Daimon Parrotte  
Michael Zook  
Alma Seidel  
Debbie Stewart

### Bear Paw Beavers

Michelle Gorecki  
Donna Whitmus

Richard Gorecki  
Jeff Whitmus

Barbara Henderson

### Bullhook Buffalos

Kenny Beck  
Kris Holsapple  
Paula McLain

Michelle Beck  
Heidi Kinsella  
Chan Miller

Jeff Holsapple  
Mike Kinsella  
Jenny Miller

### Happy Havre

Ruby Hould  
Katie Valdez  
Tracy Schend  
J. Bob Hould  
Paula Reynolds  
John Schroeder

Jolene Korb  
Miesha Faber  
Carrie Molitor  
Kyndra Moore  
Claire Stoner

Jessy Schroeder  
Steve Faber  
Jon Molitor  
Andi Everingham  
Jon Stoner

### Kremlin Hawks

Lisa Springer

Ted Hauser

### Mountain View

Alayne Bickford  
Barb Konesky  
Stacey Waid

Jon Holden  
Ron Konesky

Marcella Holden  
Lon Waid

### At Large

Marilyn Jurenka  
Diane McLean

Tom Jurenka  
Fern Lohse

Mike Hartman

### Certified Leaders Continued.....

#### Tumbleweeds

Jim Smith  
Jayce O'Neil

Camie Smith

Lisa O'Neil

#### Sunrise

Kelly Compton

Rob Compton

Remember to file your IRS e-postcard for your club before February 15th. If you want more information contact the MSU Hill County Extension office.

### Shooting Sports - Archery

Any 4-H member 9 years old by October 2009 that are interested in participating the archery program, need to call Emi so she can put you on the list to be contacted when the series is going to start. **Deadline is February 15th.**

## Congratulations to the 2010 Camp Leadership Team

Director Ruby Hould - Assistant Director Jessy Schroeder  
Return Counselors- Daniel Hanson and Shelby O'Neil

Wendy White  
Mikell Kinsella  
Quinn Spinler

Jasmine Chagnon  
Katie Beck  
Jon Stoner

Briana Warren  
Emily Waters  
Colter Bickford

Hill County 4-H Camp will be held on June 20-23, 2010 at Camp Kiwanis, Beaver Creek Park.

### **Montana Seed Show March 11-13, 2010**

The seed show is looking for Educational Booths from 4-H or any other community or civic groups during the Montana Seed Show in Harlem March 11-13, 2010. If you are interested in having a booth, the MSU Hill County Extension office has details.

Also during the Montana Seed Show they have several contest that youth can enter. Usually they have a chocolate chip cookie, pie and bread contest. If you are interested in participating, the contests the rules and regulation are available at the MSU Hill County Extension office.