

WIN A 4-H LICENSE PLATE !!
BEEF GIVE AWAY TICKET SALES
28 Journals to 4-H Club Leaders

September

- 4 **Holiday, Extension Office** closed
- 5 **4-H Journals due to Extension Office**
- 5 **Enrollment** materials available for new year
- 7 **Awards Selection**, 6:00 p.m., Extension Meeting Room (Cowboy Poetry, Ceramics, Aerospace, Bicycle, Electricity, Small Engines, Self-Determined, Shooting Sports, Woodworking, Citizenship, Public Speaking)
- 11 **Horse Leaders Meeting**, 6:00 p.m., Extension Meeting Room
- 11 **Horse Awards Selection**, (following Horse Leaders Meeting) - - Horse, Horseless Horse
- 12 **Livestock Leaders Meeting**, 6:00 p.m., Extension Meeting Room
- 12 **Livestock Awards Selection**, (following Livestock Leaders Meeting) Livestock, Crops, Weeds, Range, Poultry, Rabbit, Agriculture
- 13 **Smiley Memorial Award Applications** for club and leader due in office
- 13 **Awards Selection**, 6:00 p.m., Extension Meeting Room (Foods, Gardening, Forestry, Photo, Child Dev., Exploring 4-H, Family Adventures, Leathercraft, Leadership, Health, Recreation)
- 14 **Awards Selection**, 6:00 p.m., Extension Meeting Room (Clothing, Needlework, Home Environment, Cat, Dog, Pocket Pets, Entomology, Vet Science, Wildlife, Achievement, Safety)
- 15 **Tribute to Volunteer Excellence Applications** Due
- 15-17 **State 4-H Horse Show**, Billings
- 16-22 **Black Hills Rec Lab**, Custer, South Dakota
- 18 **Calendar Art Entries Due** in Extension Office
- 20 **Foundation Meeting**, 7:00 p.m., Extension Office
- 21 **Carcass Class**, 6:30 p.m., Extension Office
- 22 **Horse and Livestock Committee policy and rule change proposals** due in Extension Office
- 26 **Air Rifle Sign-Up** at Great Falls Rifle and Pistol Club, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- 27 **BEEF GIVE AWAY TICKETS AND MONEY DUE IN EXTENSION OFFICE**
- 29-30 **State Leaders Forum**, Missoula

ALSO:

Smiley Memorial Awards
Seven Year Member Awards
Fair Foods and Clothing Awards
Congress Awards
State Fair Thank You's & Wrap Up
From the Dairy Booth

4-H License Plate
Cloverbuds
Youth Leadership Positions
Project Workshops
Calendar Cover Art Contest

LOOKING AHEAD TO OCTOBER

- 1-7 **National 4-H Week**
- 1 **Alumni, Alberta Leader's Forum, FFA applications** due
- 1 **Meats I.D. Workshop**, 1:00 p.m.
- 2 **Achievement Night**, 7:00 p.m., MSU College of Technology
- 3 **Cloverbud Club**, 4:30 p.m., Extension meeting room
- 3 **Livestock Leaders Meeting**, 7:00 p.m.
- 3 **Teen Activity Night**, bowling, 6:30 p.m., Black Eagle Community Center
- 5 **Mini Congress, District Leaders meeting** registration forms due in Extension Office
- 7 **Babysitter Training**, 9:00-12:30 a.m., Campfire Office
- 7 **Harvest Howl**
- 14 **Mini Congress, District Leaders meeting**, Great Falls, 9:30-3:00 p.m.
- TBA **Horse Leaders meeting**, 7:00 p.m. (will be set at Sept. meeting)



GEARING UP FOR THE 2006-2007 4H YEAR

All materials for club registration will be available at the Extension Office by September 5.

Club leaders will want to pick up the new *4-H Clover*, member and leader enrollment forms, secretary book, and any additional materials needed by your club. **Attention Leaders:** Please discard all old enrollment forms and use only new forms given to you from the office this year. The new form contains a photo release permission. Project manuals will be available at a later date as you turn in your enrollment materials.

In September we will send recruitment information to schools. **Please inform the Extension Office if your club has room for new members.**

RECRUIT a friend. This is a great time to share with a friend all the fun and learning that takes place in 4-H. Invite them to join your club this year!

CALENDAR COVER ART CONTEST

The 4-H Leaders Council is conducting a contest to select a piece of art to be used on the 2006-2007 4-H calendar that is distributed to all 4-H families. Entries are due in the Extension Office by September 18. The art work must be drawn on 8 1/2 x 11 paper, black and white only.

2006 BEEF GIVE AWAY

Tickets are here and your sales efforts should be underway. The **Beef Give Away** is a county-wide fundraiser which helps provide financing for the activities, events and awards for both members and leaders throughout the year.

Every 4-H member is expected to sell at least one book of tickets or **donate** \$10.00. Tickets sell for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. There is a special offer from **Wheat Montana** on the back of the ticket. Be sure to mention this to potential buyers. Your tickets can be picked up from your 4-H leader. Members-at-large and those needing additional tickets may pick them up at the Extension Office. Tickets and money must be turned in to the Extension Office by **Wednesday, September 27**. The drawing for four quarters of beef will be held Monday, **October 2** at **Achievement Night**.

Any member selling over \$50.00 of tickets will receive a gift certificate to National 4-H Supply for 10% of their sales, or any club (consisting of at least 5 members) selling at least one book of tickets per member will receive 10% of the sales. This recognition will be presented at Achievement Night.

THANK YOU to this year's Beef Give Away sponsors: *Community Federal Credit Union, D.A. Davidson, Deschenes and Sullivan Law Offices, Heritage Bank, Northwest Farm Credit Services, Montana Cowgirls Association, Montana Federal Credit Union, Pam Hansen Alfred State Farm Insurance, Parker Farms Green House, Transystems Inc., Dr. Gene Tynes, Sletten Construction, and Wheat Montana.*

FAIR PREMIUM CHECKS

Fair premium checks are ready and should be picked up by the organizational leader for the whole club.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Opportunities are available for 4-H leader recognition. Information and applications for each of the following are available at the Extension Office.

Tribute to Volunteer Excellence (due Sept 15)

4-H Alumni Award (due Oct 1)

Outstanding FFA & 4-H Alumnus (due Oct 1)

4-H JOURNALS AND AWARDS

Every 4-H member should submit journals to their club organizational leader by August 28. Leaders will submit the books nominated for awards to the Extension office by September 5. Members at Large should submit their records directly to the Extension Office. We want to commend each of you for taking time to record your many accomplishments. These records will be valuable in the years to come as will the skills you are developing as you complete the records.

Journals submitted for awards selection should include **the current year records only and all be contained in ONE notebook.**

4-H members with livestock breeding projects and/or colt to maturity projects must continue to bring the notebooks with the current and previous years' work.

ALL leaders, parents and teen leaders are invited to assist with the *awards selection* process. This will take place on five different occasions in the Extension Meeting Room. Please join us for one or more of these sessions:

Thursday, September 7, 6:00 p.m.

Cowboy Poetry, Ceramics, Aerospace, Bicycle, Electricity, Sm. Engines, Self-determined, Shooting Sports, Wood, Citizenship, Public Speaking

Monday, September 11, following 6:00 p.m. mtg.

Horse levels, Colt to Maturity, Green Horse, Ranch Horse

Tuesday, September 12, following 6:00 p.m. mtg.

Livestock, Crops, Weeds, Range, Poultry, Rabbit, Agriculture

Wednesday, September 13, 6:00 p.m.

Foods, Gardening, Forestry, Photo, Child Dev., Exploring 4-H, Family Adventures, Leather, Leadership, Health, Recreation

Thursday, September 14, 6:00 p.m.

Clothing, Needlework, Home Environment, Cat, Dog, Pocket Pets, Entomology, Sport Fishing, Vet Science, Wildlife, Achievement, Safety

ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

Talent Show

Achievement Night will be held Monday, October 2 at the MSU College of Technology. The program being planned by the teen ambassadors will include presentations of 4-H talent. If you are interested in sharing your talent, complete the talent application at the end of this newsletter and return.

More Awards !!



SMILEY MEMORIAL

AWARDS

Two awards are available through the *Smiley Family Memorial Fund*. Applications may be picked up at the Extension Office and are due September 13. Each award is \$40.00.

The **CLUB** award recognizes comprehensive work in activities including *citizenship, recreation, health, safety, community service or community development*. The **LEADER** award will help defray costs of attending the State Leaders Forum which will be held this year in Missoula. Both awards will be presented at Achievement Night, October 2.

SEVEN YEAR MEMBER AWARDS

The following members have completed seven years of 4-H and may come to the Extension Office to order their gift (up to \$10.00) from the 4-H Supply Catalog. This award is provided to each member by the Cascade 4-H Foundation. Please do this as soon as possible so we can send the order.

Kaci Almanza, Jackie Gebhardt, Courtney Guisti, Tawni Guisti, Dani Hamann, Jacob Hansen, Natalie Johnson, Scott Koljonen, Brooks Lindquist, Kara Lundby, Kirk Lundby, Gwendolyn Mann, Rikki Murrill, Sarah Putzker, Victoria Silva, Kayla Sproles, Shayna Warner, Natalie Young.

CONGRATULATIONS !

Computations for two awards based on a point system culminating with fair exhibits have now been completed.

Congratulations to the following members who will receive these awards at Achievement Night:

Theresa Zuhoski Award:

Junior - Maria Bernhardt

Senior - Allison Gossack

Hancock Fabrics:

Maria Bernhardt

Megan Bernhardt

Kelsey Devlin

Lindsay Gossack

Nadine Mann

Gwen Mann

Hayden Broesder

Megan Broesder

Abby Strandell

Ashley Morgan

MONTANA 4-H CONGRESS AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Lindsay Gossack, who placed second in the demonstration contest and will be attending National 4-H Congress, **Allison Gossack** who placed third in the public speaking contest, **Megan Broesder** who placed in the top ten in Fashion Revue, the horse judging team who placed 3rd (**Leslie Klick, Heidi Kostas, Tesla McDowell, Melanie Goodman**), gavel games team who placed 6th (**Kelsey Anderson, Tess Bryan, Tanya Harshaw, Rikki Murrill**).

Also, congratulations to **Leslie Klick** who was awarded a \$500.00 Doug Dear Horse scholarship and **Alena Ogg** who was awarded a \$500.00 Wilcox Family scholarship.

We can be proud of all our county representatives for "Making the Best Better" as they competed at Montana 4-H Congress.

Also, congratulations to all 4-H Congress members who collectively across the state contributed \$7450.71 to the Make A Wish Foundation through a Walk-a-Thon.

STATE FAIR THANK YOU'S

State Fair support comes in many forms. Every 4-H member needs to take the time to thank some of these people for their support and effort. Please stop now and write thank you notes to trophy and award sponsors, leaders who assisted in your learning experience, judges and State Fair management. Hearing from you makes future support possible.

OUR SPECIAL THANKS GO TO:

→ The 4-H teens and adults who prepared the Exhibition Hall display areas, cleaned and polished cases, and shared fun at Mini Golf: *Kelsey Anderson, Angie Benedict, Terry Benedict, Tess Bryan, Bev Carlisle, Jeanette Carlisle, Mary Christiaens, Mary Ann Christiaens, Kate Dawson, Byron Dunn, Keenen Dunn, Fran Gossack, Lindsay Gossack, Tere Jackson, Madelyn Krezowski, Brandi McBride.*

→ Each person who helped to create the club display areas commemorating “75 Years of State Fair,” you really made our exhibit building look great! We greatly appreciated the fine job clubs did in removing exhibits, taking down display areas, removing staples, etc.

→ Chairpersons and assistants of the many contests: **Carol Shipley**, demonstrations; **Lacey Gallagher**, speech; **Annette Chandler**, edible art and foods festival, **Nicki Dryden**, dog, **Sara Luoma** and assistant **Kelsey Anderson**, cat, **Patty Broesder, Megan Broesder, Nadine Mann** and **Gwen Mann**, fashion revue and quilt show.

And the list could go on and on. It's great to work in a county with so many wonderful and willing volunteers and members. Thanks for a great fair! Now is the time to start planning for next year's exhibits.

FROM THE DAIRY BOOTH

We would like to express our appreciation to all the hard workers who helped in the serving of the ice cream (sometimes very hard ice cream). A very special thank you to those who filled in an extra shift with little notice in order to continue providing prompt and courteous service to our customers. You performed a great service and continued to show your pride in 4-H.

And, just for the record: You served up

942 gallons of delicious ice cream!

LICENSE PLATES

The **MONTANA 4-H LICENSE PLATES** are still available. All application or renewal of license plates is handled by the county treasurer. Cost of the plates is \$35.00. Of this fee, \$15.00 goes to the county treasurer, \$10.00 to the Montana 4-H Foundation and \$10.00 to the Cascade 4-H Foundation. The license plate renewal fee is \$20 which goes to 4-H (state and local). A color example of the license plate can be seen at the Extension Office.

WIN a 4-H License Plate!! Fill out the coupon in this newsletter and return it to the Extension Office. A drawing for THREE 4-H license plates will be held at the fall Leader's Council Meeting. Any 4-H leader or licensed 4-H teen is eligible to enter.

CLOVERBUDS

Our 4-H teen ambassadors **Kelsey Anderson, Jeanette Carlisle and Rikki Murrill** will conduct a series of Cloverbud activity meetings again this year. All Cloverbuds are invited to attend.

Workshops will be held each month at the Extension Office on the first Tuesday from 4:30 until 5:30 p.m. beginning in October and continuing through May. Complete the registration in this newsletter and return by September 30 to attend the October 3rd session.

FOUNDATION MEETING

The fall meeting of the **Cascade 4-H Foundation** will be Wednesday, September 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Extension meeting room. All 4-H leaders, parents and members are welcome to attend.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Montana 4-H Center for Youth Development is recruiting energetic, involved 4-H members to serve on three different governing bodies: The Montana 4-H Council, The Montana 4-H Foundation and the Montana 4-H Youth Cabinet. There is one single application for these positions on which you indicate which boards you are applying for. Applications and descriptions of each leadership opportunity are available at the Extension Office. Act now! Applications are due September 2!

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT SURVEY

The Montana 4-H Center for Youth Development has created an online survey targeting youth 13 or older designed to evaluate current efforts and readiness of youth, adults and our system to support Youth Adult Partnerships and Youth in Governance opportunities. They are encouraging all youth 13 and older, to go online and complete this survey:

extn.msu.montana.edu/communications/surveys

PROJECT WORKSHOPS

AIR RIFLE: Our shooting sports program will begin

with AIR RIFLE SIGN UP on September 26th at the Great Falls Rifle and Pistol Club from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Registration fees of \$20.00 will cover range fees, targets and ammunition. **In order to participate, a member must have an enrollment form completed and returned to the Extension Office. You will need to show your 4-H membership card at the first session which will be October 3.**

.22 Rifle will follow in January with BB Gun starting in April.

BABYSITTER TRAINING: All 4-H members are invited to attend this workshop being sponsored by **Campfire** on Saturday, October 7st from 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 for grades 5 and up. Cost is \$7.50 for 4-H members. It will include sections on babysitting techniques, child development, first aid and ideas on how to keep children safe and happy. Please contact Campfire at 452-8543 to register. The workshop will be held at the Campfire Office, 1925 Second Avenue South.

CLOTHING: This year's **Make It With Wool Contest** will be October 28th. This is a great opportunity to get an early start on your sewing and on a great fall outfit. Please contact the Extension Office for registration information.

MEATS IDENTIFICATION: A workshop for any 4-H member interested in *meats identification* will be on Sunday, October 1 at 1:00 p.m. in the Extension meeting room. If you are interested but unable to attend this first session, please call Marie or Cliff Crawford at 761-4657 if you cannot attend but would like to be contacted for future sessions.

Meats identification is an opportunity to learn the wholesale and retail cuts of beef, pork, and lamb as well as proper methods for cooking the various cuts of meat.

OTHER WORKSHOPS

Several other project workshops will be scheduled throughout the year. Watch this newsletter space and take advantage of these opportunities. Any leader or teen leader interested in leading a workshop, please contact the Extension Office.

ATTENTION TEENS: The teen ambassadors are creating a list of teens who would be willing to help younger members with projects. If you would be willing to serve in this role, please call Sheryl Knowles at the Extension Office so we can add your name to our newly created "Project Hotline" list.

JOIN US Tuesday, Oct. 3 for our first teen night activity which will be bowling at the Black Eagle Community Center beginning at 6:30 p.m.

REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS AT LARGE -- Stop by the office for enrollment forms for the new 4-H year and get your Beef Give Away tickets.

**MINI CONGRESS
DISTRICT LEADERS MEETING
Saturday, October 14
9:30- 3:00 p.m.
Great Falls**

ATTENTION: 4-H Leaders
11- 13 year old members

Cost is \$8.00 per person and registration forms are due in the Cascade County Extension Office October 5. Members will enjoy classes in juggling, trick photography, boomerangs and kitchen science that are FUN!

Leaders will have their district leaders meeting plus some workshops.

The registration form is included in this newsletter. Additional registration forms are available at the Extension Office.

**4-H Leaders Forum
September 29-30
Missoula**

Registration information, workshop descriptions, forum schedule and accommodations can be picked up at the Extension Office or accessed on the web at:

extn.msu.montana.edu/4hleadershipforum

September 1 is the deadline for early registration (\$55.00). Please inform the office of your plans to attend so we may share transportation and rooms.

The Cascade 4-H Foundation will pay half the cost of registration, lodging and mileage for this educational opportunity.

We hope you will all have the opportunity to go and enjoy this great learning experience.

BLACK HILLS REC LAB

September 16-22 are the dates for this year's *Black Hills Rec Lab* near Custer, South Dakota. Information and registration forms are available at the Extension Office. This leadership and recreation lab is for teens 16 and older and adults. The Cascade 4-H Foundation provides financial assistance for this event.

Poultry/Rabbit Ramblings

A Big Thank You to Cindy Keaster and Anita Pecukonis for facilitating the 4-H Poultry/Rabbit shows at the 2006 Montana State Fair. Thanks also to Judges **Vicki Stevenson** and **Jeannette Frank**. Remember to send them a Thank You note. **Remember to send your plaque sponsors a thank you note, too.**

Jeannette Frank
169 Cove Lane
Great Falls 59404

Vicki Stevenson
2 Vaughn Road
Ulm MT 59485

Plaque sponsors

Diane Arganbright
The Quilting Hen
1156 Buck Bridge Rd
Carter MT 59420

Boyd Soderman
Fleet Supply
1401 25th Ave NE
Black Eagle 59414

LIVESTOCK LISTINGS

Wanted & Needed: Calling All Leaders to **review record books on Tuesday, September 12th at 7 p.m.** Record Book Reviewers will be treated to supper. A brief **Leaders meeting is at 6:00 p.m.** Agenda items include a nominating committee for election of president and secretary, and **policy or rule change** forms will be available. Rule Change forms can also be picked up in advance from the Extension Office. Completed forms for proposed changes are due in the Extension Office on **September 22nd** so they can be mailed with October's minutes and agenda. **In October, policy or rule change proposals will be discussed.** Items can be combined, eliminated or refined. Leaders are asked to take the proposals to their clubs for discussion. **Voting** on proposed changes will be at the **November or December meeting***.

***Reminder:** *You must participate in the October meeting in order to vote on proposed rule changes at the November or December meeting.* The Livestock Committee will provide a free supper to all leaders who stay and review the record books. Previous reviewers have shared it helps them understand the process to help their 4-H members complete their records more accurately. The more the merrier! We need as many

leaders as possible. Every little bit helps -- if you can only stay for an hour, we will finish the job quickly - we look forward to seeing all of you!

Mark Your Calendar - Carcass Class - September 21

Darren Crawford is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Thursday, September 21 at the Extension Office. This was very good last year and will help you understand the carcass results sheets. Please call to sign up, 454-6980.

4-H Leader and Member Enrollments are on the horizon. **Please remember to check the livestock committee** on your enrollment form **so you can stay up-to-date** with livestock events and decisions. Meeting attendance is encouraged and not required.

UP-COMING LIVESTOCK EVENTS:

Sept. 12 Livestock Leaders 6 p.m.
Sept. 12 Livestock Record Book Reviewing
Sept. 21 Carcass Class, 6:30 p.m.
October 2 Achievement Night, MSU-GF
October 17 NILE Livestock Judging - Billings

The 2006 NILE Livestock Judging is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 17** in Billings. The four top placing Cascade County 4-H members are eligible to participate. They are: If any of the above 4-H members do not attend the NILE judging, the following 4-H members are eligible to go in the order listed: Ryan Warner, Alyssa McKelvey, Amy Warner, Brandi McBride, and Shayna Warner. Please call the Extension office by September 1st if you want to attend. **An adult chaperon is also needed.** All of the chaperon's expenses and half of the 4-H members' expenses are paid by the 4-H Foundation.

REMEMBER - Thank you notes are important! Send your thank you notes to trophy sponsors and your buyer(s). The sponsor's name and address are on the back of your plaque. Want to really make an impression? Some 4-Hers take a small gift (i.e. plate of cookies) to their buyers to say thanks.

Want to thank our Judge? Drop him a line at:

John Beazley, PO Box 701, Sunburst MT 59482

Many businesses and individuals support 4-H at the County Sale; please share your gratitude with them:

Write a thank you as a club at a meeting or individually. Your effort to say "Thanks" ensures future support for the 4-H programs in Cascade County. Below are listings of our various sponsors and many other people who have donated supplies, time or resources. Please take a moment to express your thanks for their support.

Corporate Sponsors:

Mike Marzetta
Hoglund's
306 1st Ave. South
Great Falls 59405

Mike Karns
Wilbur-Ellis
P.O. Box 1627
Great Falls 59403

Sandy Harshaw
Hearing Aid Institute
725 First Ave. North
Great Falls, MT 59401

Buyer's Social Sponsors

Pacific Steel
Ed Leppien, VP
1401 Third St. NW
Great Falls, MT 59404

Hauling steers to Vaughn

Jim Pilgeram
900 East Eden Rd
Stockett, MT 59405

Steve Umphress
Calvert Route
Stockett, MT 59480

Hauling Lambs/Steers:

Don Murrill
5401 57th Ave. SW
Great Falls, MT 59404

Buyer's pictures

Dale LeVeque
280 Ten Mile Road
Cascade, MT 59421

Scale & Water Trough

John Kelley & Del Pasha
Western Ranch Supply
Box 542
GF 59403-0542

Free Kid's Radio spots

Shawn Fladager/Ron Korb
KMON
20 3rd St. North
Great Falls, MT 59401

Sawdust/Chips

Marks Lumber
Steve Marks
30 Lump Gulch
Clancy MT 59634

Kill Facilities:

Vaughn Meats
Box 69
Vaughn, MT 59487

Dan Ball
RBC Dain Rauscher
101 River Drive North
Great Falls 59401

Cascade Farmers Mutual
Glenn Lambert
5000 9th Ave. South
Great Falls 59404

Stockman Bank
David Zoani, President
711 Third St. NW
Great Falls MT 59404

Hauling Steers to Vaughn

Penny Olson
105 Gibson Flats Rd
Great Falls, MT 59405

Hauling Hogs:

Shawn Steinbach
106 Ashuelot Hill Road
Ft. Shaw, MT 59443

Auctioneer:

Mark Lacher
LA Auctioneering
86 South Division
Fairfield, MT 59436

Dr. Rick Scherr

Big Sky Animal Med. Ctr
1501 North Star Blvd.
Great Falls, MT 59405

Montana State Fair

Bill Ogg
400 Third St NW
Great Falls MT 59404

Ice Cream Cone coupons

Paul Nelson
NW Farm Credit Services
1309 9th Ave. NW
Great Falls, MT 59404

Wood Shavings

West Feeds
Mike Iverson
921 15th Street North
Great Falls MT59401

Marias Packing
Box 356
Shelby MT 59474

Sound System:

Sunshine Productions
Bruce Bull
2022 Smelter Ave
Black Eagle, MT 59414

Steer Holdover:

Sterling Cattle
Scott & Raina Blackman
2925 Craig Frontage Road
Wolf Creek MT 59468

Quizno's

Gary Suckow
1601 Market Place Dr.
Great Falls, MT 59404

Meadow Gold Dairy

PO Box 2609
Great Falls, MT 5940

CONGRATULATIONS - Beef Rate of Gain

- 1st Place (\$100) Rikki Murrill, Running Free (3.72 #/day)
- 2nd Place (\$60) Ryan Warner, Sun River Shamrocks (3.44#/day)
- 3rd Place (\$40) Ashlee Olson, Missouri River Riders (3.41 #/day)

Cascade Co. Carcass Contest Winners 2006:

Swine: Jeffrey Adkins, Giffen Coulee, Grand;
Beth Higgins, Ulm Pishkun, Reserve

Lamb: Kristin Person, Happy Hooligans, Grand;
Lindsay Garpestad, Circle S, Reserve

Beef: Michael Skinner, Circle S, Grand
Rikki Murrill, Running Free, Reserve

A BIG THANK YOU to Division Chairs and Junior Div. Chairs who helped to make this a great county show: **Bev Carlisle, Shelli Davidson, Sandy Harshaw, Don Murrill, Penny Olson, Jared LeVeque, Kelsey Lindquist and Rikki Murrill.** Also thanks to the many **Volunteers** who pitched in when asked or saw a need and helped without being asked. Some of you are: **Dale & Lilly LeVeque, Diane Warner, Lisa Lindquist, Ed Mott, Don and Pam Murrill, John & Donna Harding, Dr. Rick Scherr, Mike O'Neill, Don & Judy Van Der Hagen, Patti Ogg, Ed Olson, Tom Davidson, Tere and Wes Jackson, Carol Eisenzimer, Stevie Newman, Lanell & Kelly Ashley, John & Lynn Kindred, Theresa Neuman, Maggi Beattie, Susan Woyth, Carl Fowler, Becky Nelson, Cliff & Marie Crawford** and several other people who helped during weigh in and with livestock classes, the livestock sale and load out.

REMEMBER - Thank you notes are important! Send your thank you notes to your trophy sponsors. The sponsor's name and address are on the back of your plaque.

Found after County Show - Blue/White plaid shirt, size small, and John Deere ball cap. Please call the office to claim, 454-6980.

2007 NILE Merit Heifer Program

Open to youth 13-17 years old enrolled in 4-H and FFA programs. Entry deadline is September 15, 2006. Go online to www.meritheifer.com and select Merit Heifer links. All information and application forms are available and can be filled out online.

Courtesy Announcements:

For Sale: 3 year old registered LaMencha dairy goat, call 964-1053.

Horse Happenings

Wanted & Needed: All Leaders to review record books on **Monday September 11th at 7:00 p.m.** We'll provide you FREE pizza and drinks to all who help for their efforts! Record book reviewers say it helps them understand the process to help their 4-H members complete their records more accurately. The more the merrier! Many hands and eyes will finish the job quickly - we look forward to seeing all of you!

Horse Leaders will meet on Monday, September 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the Extension Conference Room. Items on the agenda include reports on the State Fair and County Shows, selection of Nominating Committee for October's election of president and secretary for a two-year term.

Forms will be available for any **policy or rule changes** for the year 2006-07. No decisions will be made at this meeting. Completed forms for proposed changes will be due in the Extension Office on **September 22nd** so they can be mailed with October's agenda. Discussion will take place at October's meeting where items can be combined, eliminated or refined. Leaders are asked to take proposals back to their clubs for discussion. Voting on proposed changes will take place at the November or December meeting.

Reminder: *You must participate in the October meeting in order to vote on the proposed changes at the November or December horse leaders meeting.*

REMEMBER - Thank you notes are important! Send your thank you notes to your trophy sponsors. The sponsor's name and address are on the back of your plaque.

The due date for Colt to Maturity project records is September 5th. Reminder on C2M - you need to write a letter to include with your record books for the year end award. Details are in the 2006 rule book.

A BIG THANK YOU to the Missouri River Riders 4-H Club for chairing the County Show, and to all the volunteers who pitched in when asked and those who pitched in when they saw a need. *Many Thanks!*

Speaking of Thanks - please remember to send the plaque sponsors a thank you note. Addresses are on labels on the back of the plaques. If you had an enjoyable time, please send a thank you note to: Billy Carol Smiley, 1040 55th Ave. S., G.F. 59405-8262.

Many thanks to Wendy Neuman and Stephanie Merja and their volunteers who helped set up, organize, announce and help out at the All County Horse show on July 22-23rd. If you had an enjoyable time, please send a thank you note to: Wendy Newman, 515 40th Ave. S, Great Falls, 59405 and Stephanie Merja, 211 Adams Road, Sun River, 59483.

Well Done to One and All!

A Big THANK YOU to Heidi Klick for chairing the State Fair Horse Show. Also thanks to many volunteers who pitched in when asked and those who pitched in when they saw a need - some of you are **Shelli Davidson, Curt Clarke, Dennis Skinner, Brook & Jason Gerard, Ed Olson, Carol Eisenzimer**, and others whom we may have missed. Your efforts are appreciated. Helpers of special note include: **Carol Eisenzimer** (*ring steward*), **Maggi Beattie** (*gate*), **Brook Gerard** (*announcer*).

Judge:

Amber Carver
3212 3A St. NW
Great Falls MT 59404

Other addresses are at
the Extension Office.

Many thanks to Northwest Farm Credit Services for the ice cream coupons for our many volunteers and helpers with the State Fair Horse show. Please send a thank you note to:

Paul Nelson
Northwest Farm Credit Services
1309 9th Ave. NW
Great Falls, MT 59404

Important 4-H Dates to Remember:

Aug. 25	State Horse Show registration due in Billings
Sept. 4	Extension Office closed
Sept. 5	4-H Record books due in Office
Sept. 11	Horse Leaders mtg. & Awards, 6 p.m.
Sept. 11	Record Book Reviewing 7 p.m.
Sept. 15-17	State Horse Show Billings
Sept. 27	Beef Give Away tickets/money due
Oct. 2	New 4-H year begins
Oct. 2	Monday - Achievement Night , MSU College of Technology
Oct. ?	Horse Leaders Mtg. 7 p.m. (date to be decided at Sept. meeting)

Win a 4-H License Plate
Return this entry to the Extension Office

NAME _____ Phone _____

4-H Club _____

CLOVERBUD CLUB INFORMATION

Cloverbud Workshops will be held each month at the Extension Office on the first Tuesday from 4:30 until 5:30 p.m. beginning in October and continuing through May. Complete the registration below and return it to the Extension Office by September 30. Cloverbuds will also need to complete a 4-H member enrollment form and pay the \$5.00 4-H dues.

CLOVERBUD CLUB
Registration

Name _____ Age _____

(As of Oct. 1, 2006)

Address _____ Phone _____

Parent Name (s) _____

Phone where parent can be reached during workshop _____

_____ Workshop supply fee (\$5.00 for the 8 workshops, (Oct-May) or \$1.00 per individual class)

Any allergies/disabilities we should be aware of that may affect participation in any activity??

Cloverbuds also need to complete a 4-H enrollment form and pay \$5.00 county dues.

4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT TALENT SHOW APPLICATION

Name _____ Age _____

4-H Club _____ Phone _____

Briefly describe the talent you would perform:

Length of time needed: _____

Equipment you would bring _____

Equipment you would need to have provided on site _____

Applications are due in the Extension Office by September 18.

SEPTEMBER 2006
CASCADE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

Sincerely,

Sheryl Knowles

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Cascade County Extension Agents

4-H NEEDS YOU!! As we begin a new 4-H year, we want to remind you that decisions are made by those who regularly attend leaders' meetings. We encourage you to attend these meetings to participate in this process.

Simply check the box on the leader enrollment form for the committee that you are interested in. You'll be added to the mailing list and can keep up-to-date with various committee happenings.

If you are new to 4-H, the leader meetings are an important resource of knowledgeable people and information about various 4-H projects and programs. *So what are you waiting for? Jump in and get your feet wet!* Our meetings are posted in the newsletter calendar - we'd love to have you join us! It's also a great way to meet others involved in similar projects to share information, too.

ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT, OCTOBER 2, 2006, AT MSU COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY!
National 4-H Week October 1-7, 2006