



## Glacier County 4-H News

March 2021

Greetings, Glacier County 4-H!

Here are a few updates:

**4-H Camp** - Congratulations to Dayne Barbie, Hadley Barbie, Jacob Hjartarson, Katelyn Suta, and Josalyn Wilder for being selected as camp counselors, we're looking forward to having them on board! Given the potential headcount for camp, we've decided to split camp and have Glacier, Toole, Liberty, Pondera, and Chouteau counties camp for 1.5-2 days, and Hill, Phillips, and Blaine counties camp for 1.5-2 days. Camp will be June 14 - 17, 2021, and we'll let you know as soon as the schedule is set which of those days will be for Glacier county campers. Our counselors will be there for all four days.

**Ag Committee** - Congratulations to Tina McIlvain, Leanne Winkowitsch, and Brittany Hotchkiss for being elected Marias Fair Ag Committee president, secretary, and treasurer, respectively. We so appreciate your service on the committee! Kim Woodring is planning a painting day in the spring to finish the top of the Rabbit/Poultry barn and do some other touch up painting as well, this would be open to anyone.

**Livestock** - I'd encourage beef members to get a weight on those steers, we're nearly halfway through the feeding period to fair now. Remember, minimum weight is 1,100 pounds and maximum payweight is 1,500 pounds. Anyone is welcome to come use Kaleb and I's livestock scale if you'd like to motor down the Kevin Highway.

We received word this month that Lower Valley Processing was overbooked and unable to process our lambs, pigs, and goats this year. Vandevanter Meats in Columbia Falls has agreed to process those livestock for us. They also do Teton and Cascade county 4-H animals, with great reviews. I would encourage you to get processors for spare animals lined up as processing is tight.

**Covid - 19** - Current Covid guidelines from MSU Extension include managing events or gatherings to accommodate CDC social distancing guidelines and follow local health directives regarding face masks. The Glacier County Board of Health does encourage mask wearing. Please continue to be diligent about hand washing as well. Montana 4-H is moving ahead with planning Congress for the MSU campus in July, with some modifications.

**Communications Contest** - The Council will be meeting this month to plan the county Communications Contest and we'll share those details when available. Everyone should plan to do a presentation within their club and/or at the county or fair level. I am happy to help anyone prepare, check out [http://www.montana4h.org/projects/4h\\_communication/index.html](http://www.montana4h.org/projects/4h_communication/index.html) for resources!

**Community Service** - I have been so pleased to see all the wonderful ways our 4-Hers have been giving back to the community this year. In speaking with Jamie Greco this week, she said how blessed they've been by the chopped veggies they've been receiving for Fred's cancer fighting soup that our members have been preparing. This week, Addisyn Bengtson was able to present them with a check for over \$2,400 to assist with medical and travel expenses. Thank you to everyone who donated supplies, helped bake, decorate, deliver cupcakes, etc. to make it such a successful project. There are so many ways to give back to our community, and I'd be happy to chat with anyone interested in organizing a local service project.

I am back in the office 8 - 5 now (although this month that may depend on weather/calving a bit). Please let me know how I can help!

In 4-H friendship,

Kari Lewis



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## Leadership academy

Join Montana 4-Hers Sunday, March 14 from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. to learn how to tune up your facilitation skills. This will address how to use your skills to teach others, such as in a workshop setting. You can join at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85156085350?pwd=aGNecjFKZWU0dy8wUjFQVkovkvaCtOQT09>.

Meeting ID: 851 5608 5350, Passcode: 173580

## Youth and adult partnerships

4-H strives to create successful youth-adult partnerships where youth are actively involved in planning and implementing. When this happens, youth are more likely to participate, they're able to share the viewpoints of their peers, and it helps grow youth into the next generation of leaders. Youth can have a fresh outlook on ideas for 4-H and adults leaders gain valuable human resources due to the sharing of responsibilities when partnerships are formed. Here are a few tips and tricks for creating effective youth-adult partnerships:

- Actively seek youth input, and be sure to listen to their ideas and ask questions
- Ensure that each adult and young person enters a partnership with a clear understanding of everyone's roles and responsibilities
- Be a good role model - set a good example through language and actions, and set the same standards for youth.
- Set realistic expectations. Effective partnerships don't set young people up for failure by throwing them into situations for which they are not prepared.
- Adapted from New Jersey 4-H Leader Training Series, stay tuned for more tips next month!

## Montana 4-H Foundation Scholarships

Please visit: <http://www.mt4hfoundation.org/scholarships.html> to apply. Please note that the application process is now 100% online and paper applications are not accepted. Please read the criteria for scholarship awards and only apply for the scholarships that you qualify for, due April 1, 2021.

## State 4-H Awards Montana

4-H State Awards Application Deadline to apply for a state award is (postmarked) May 1. The Montana 4-H State Awards program is in place to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of 4-H members who have reached a standard of excellence in a project area. State Award winners have gone above and beyond regular project work with a focus on leadership, communication, and community service. State Award recipients are recognized during the Banquet at Montana 4-H Congress in July and are eligible to attend National 4-H Congress in November. Information is available at <http://montana4h.org/programs/awards/state-awards.html>.

## Shooting Sports

We'll soon be finalizing details for the shotgun season with practice beginning in May. For those interested, please be sure to add the Shotgun project in ZSuites, and then we'll share additional registration information/fees as well. There is a shooting sports leader training coming in Kalispell April 23 & 24, please let us know if you are interested. It would be great to have a few more certified leaders. Thanks so much to coaches Art Rooney and Don and Carolyn Popelka this year and all the parents who have stepped up to help with air rifle or archery.

## Rifle Practice and Fair Shoot

Rifle Practice will continue on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. through March 16. The Marias Fair shoot will take place at practice on March 16. Interviews will not be required this year due to COVID-19.





## Livestock Deadlines:

**Swine Weigh in April 11** - Deadline for weighing in/tagging swine for the Marias Fair. Please coordinate with a Kari a time to tag and deworm your pigs. We will assume each family will have one spare pig (for deworming). If you'll have more, please let us know so we can have the correct number of deworming syringes ready.

**Breeding Project Info Due April 11** - Deadline for submitting breeding project information to the Extension Office. Breeding animals must be identifiable with 4-H Clover tattoo, Association Registration tattoo number, Bangs tag, or Scrapie tag. If no identifiable tattoo or tag is available, a picture may be submitted instead. The 4-H'er needs to have full possession of their project animal at this time.

**Lamb Tagging May 9** - Deadline weighing in/tagging lambs for the Marias Fair.

**For Weigh-ins** - members need to know a starting weight, date of birth, breed, breeder's Name, and breeder's address when tagging livestock. We have a scale available if needed for getting a starting weight.

### **Reminders:**

Swine must be a minimum of 220 pounds to sell at the Marias Fair and the maximum payweight is 300 pounds.

Lambs must be a minimum of 100 pounds to sell at the Marias Fair and the maximum payweight is 145 pounds.

Steers must be a minimum of 1,100 pounds and maximum the payweight is 1,500 pounds.

## Livestock Quality Assurance training

Training is required for those in market livestock projects every other year in order to show and sell at the Marias Fair. If you need training, please plan to attend one of these options:

- **March 7** at 3 p.m. at the Valier Civic Center, RSVP to the Pondera County Extension Office at 271-4054 or [Adriane.good@montana.edu](mailto:Adriane.good@montana.edu)
- **March 30** at 7 p.m. in Cut Bank (location to be confirmed) - Workshop will have a swine emphasis with members rotating through three stations related to feeding/swine nutrition, animal health, and training/animal handling. Please RSVP to the Glacier County Extension at 873-2239 or [glacier@montana.edu](mailto:glacier@montana.edu).
- **April 18** at 2 p.m. at the West Butte Club meeting at the Lutheran Church in Sunburst, RSVP to Toole County Extension at 424-8350 or [email.kimberly.woodring1@montana.edu](mailto:email.kimberly.woodring1@montana.edu).

### **Members who need LQA:**

Destini Anderson	Kortlan Murphy
Ashlyn Brown	John Neuhaus
Ethan Brown	Grace Rooney
Tuff Gilham	Bauer Seewald
Kortney Hart	Brant Seewald
Darci Littrell	Brody Stokes
Brandeon Molenda	Will Suta
Bridger Molenda	Katelyn Suta
Alec Morrisett	Morgan Wilder
Brinli Murphy	Josalyn Wilder

## Swine workshop

Dr. Dave Madsen, swine outreach specialist for the state has schedule a Zoom workshop for swine leaders/junior leaders to help them provide critical information to swine project members. This will be on Sunday March 7 at 3 PM and will last 1-1 ½ hours, depending on questions. Dave is a great resource and can be contacted with questions at [bigskymadsens@outlook.com](mailto:bigskymadsens@outlook.com). The meeting will allow 100 participants, so if you're unable to get on, please let Dave know and he'll schedule another meeting too.

**Zoom Link** - [https://us05web.zoom.us/j/8990639822?](https://us05web.zoom.us/j/8990639822?pwd=TEsxSkVSWnVuSU0xRHI0L3BWcHIEZz09)

[pwd=TEsxSkVSWnVuSU0xRHI0L3BWcHIEZz09](https://us05web.zoom.us/j/8990639822?pwd=TEsxSkVSWnVuSU0xRHI0L3BWcHIEZz09)

**Meeting ID:** 899 063 9822, **Passcode:** 600485

## Parliamentary Procedure

This month we'll focus on voting and Division of the House. There are six ways that voting can occur during a meeting. They are:

- Voice vote - This is the most common where, "All in favor, say Aye" and "All opposed, say Nay."
- Standing vote - Members stand so their votes can be counted.
- Show of hands - Members raise their right hand for their vote to be counted.
- Ballot - Members vote by secret ballot, commonly used in elections.
- Roll call - Members vote one at a time as their names are called by the secretary.
- Honor system - Members close their eyes and vote by raising a hand.

If a member thinks that a vote was not correctly decided (for example, the president declares that the motion passed but a member thinks it should have actually failed, or vice versa) they can call a "Division of the House." A 'division of the house' does not require a second, and cannot be amended or debated. Once a division of the house is called, the president has the members revote using a different voting method. For example, if they first voted using a voice vote, now they may revote using a show of hands or any of the other methods.

## Saving Time, Saving Money Meal Series

If you've ever asked yourself, "How am I spending SO much on groceries?!", these are the classes for you! Classes March 18 and March 25 (6—7:30 p.m. at the Prairie Peace Lutheran Church) will address how to cut food expenses while preparing tasty and healthy meals. March 18, Kari Lewis will share how to cut grocery expenses, create a meal plan, make savvy meat purchases, and identify a "good deal" at the grocery store. March 25, Jodi Duncan will share how to mix and match common pantry ingredients and make a homemade slurry to create numerous wholesome and tasty skillet meals. There is a \$5 registration fee which covers dinner both nights. Register online at [is.gd/m4PxPv](https://is.gd/m4PxPv) or by calling (406) 873-2239 by March 15, 2021. This would be a great class for cooking and baking members to attend as well.

## Dog and Cat workshop

LeAnne Winkowitsch would like to host a workshop for cat and dog projects at the Exhibit Building in Shelby. She will be teaching 4-Hers to create a cat scratch post and a wall hanging sign for the dogs. She is looking to host the workshop towards the end of March or the beginning of April. LeAnne would like to get a headcount so she can have the supplies rounded up. Please contact Kim Woodring at 424-8350 or [Kimberly.woodring1@montana.edu](mailto:Kimberly.woodring1@montana.edu) and let her know before March 15th if you would be interested in attending and we will contact you when we pick a date!

## Sewing Work Day

2020 was a tough year for some of our 4-H programming. The Curtain Sewing Day had to be rescheduled a few times. This project still needs to be completed. We would like to know which days would work best for those interested. Please fill out this doodle poll: [https://doodle.com/poll/v6rxpmmq73fe2s3r?utm\\_source=poll&utm\\_medium=link](https://doodle.com/poll/v6rxpmmq73fe2s3r?utm_source=poll&utm_medium=link) so we can find a date to get this project completed.

About the project: The Marias Fair Ag Committee has material that they would like sewn for skirting for the Marias Fair Rabbit/Poultry barn. It would go on under the shelves to 'hide' the equipment, etc. that is stored under the shelves during fair to improve the barn appearance. Members would need to bring basic sewing supplies, a sewing machine, and a machine threaded with white thread. This is a great service project!



## Club Meetings



**Clever Clovers** - March 22 @ 6:30 p.m. The Murphy Family will be hosting. Location TBA

**Cloverbuds** - Monday, March 15 @ 4—5 p.m., Glacier County Annex Conference Room

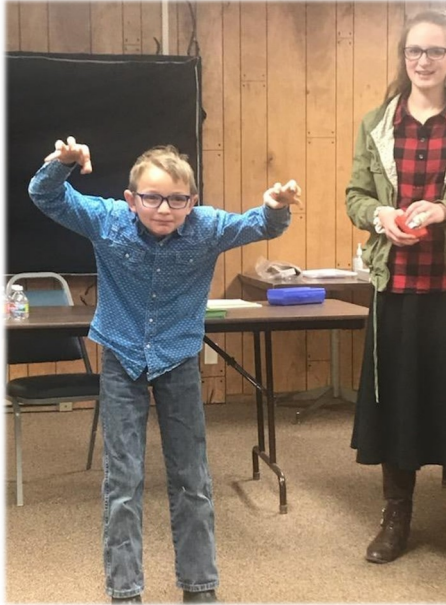
**Curry Comb** - Monday, March 1 @ 6:30 p.m., Cut Bank Community Bible Church

**Longview** - March 14 @ 6:30 pm at St Paul Lutheran church

**Glacier County 4-H Council** - March 9 @ 7 p.m. at the Glacier County Annex Conference Room

## Cloverbuds Meeting

Last month the Cloverbuds had fun learning all about insects and completed a craft. Thank you to our leader, Jodi Duncan and her helper Mikayla McIlvain!



## Cupcakes for a Cause

Fred Greco has been a big 4-H supporter here in Glacier County and works in the food booth at the Marias Fair every year. Fred's cancer has come back, and our Glacier County 4-H'ers sprung into action to help the Greco's in their time of need. Addisyn Bengtson organized "Cupcakes for a Cause" and was able to present Fred and Jamie Greco with a check for over \$2,400 to assist with medical and travel expenses. Thank you to everyone who donated supplies, helped bake, decorate, deliver cupcakes, etc. to make it such a successful project. There are so many ways to give back to our community and if you have an idea, Kari is happy to help you make it a success.



# Calendar of Events



## March


- 1 - Curry Comb meeting at 6:30 p.m., Cut Bank Community Bible Church
- 7 - LQA in Pondera County at 3 p.m. at the Valier Civic Center
- 7 - Swine Workshop online via Zoom at 3 p.m.
- 9 - Glacier County 4-H Council at 7 p.m. at the Glacier County Annex Conference Room
- 14 - Longview meeting at 6:30 pm at St Paul Lutheran church
- 15 - Cloverbuds meeting at 4—5 p.m., Glacier County Annex Conference Room
- 18 - Saving Time, Saving Money Meal Series, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Prairie Peace Lutheran Church
- 22 - Clever Clovers meeting at 6:30 p.m. Location TBA
- 25 - Saving Time, Saving Money Meal Series, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Prairie Peace Lutheran Church
- 30 - LQA in Glacier County at 7 p.m. in Cut Bank (location to be confirmed)
- 31 - Livestock Committee Meeting at 7 p.m. at the Toole County Ambulance Shed

## April

- 11 - Swine Weigh In/Tagging Deadline
- 11 - Breeding Info due to Extension Office
- 18 - LQA in Toole County at 2 p.m. at the Lutheran Church in Sunburst

## May

- 1 - Add/Drop Deadline
- 9 - Lamb Weigh In/Tagging Deadline

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