# Stillwater County 4-H Newsletter



November is a time to remember what we are thankful for in our lives. With the hustle and bustle of each day we often forget all the wonderful things in our lives. Each day may not be good, but there is good in each day.

We hope you have a wonderful November month and continue to find all the good in each day.

Our world can feel very dark at times, but we can continue to make the world a better place by finding joy

in each day, even if you have to look a little harder to find it.

In addition to good news, I have some FANTASTIC news to share with you all! We have a new team member at the Extension office. Raya Logan-Jackson will officially start in the office Thursday November 4th, and we are SO excited to have her on board. If you get a chance please send her an email, or stop by to wish her a warm welcome.

# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Hank Tuszynski Kate Kovanda Gage Witt Annsley Kelly Braxton Legg Rocky Rothwell

# **Upcoming Workshops & Events**



Dog Classes!

Dog practices are starting every third Thursday of each month. Please be checking the Stillwater County 4-H Dog Project Facebook page for updates and more information or call Nikki at 855-3386



### **Teen Leader Meetings**

Meets the last Sunday of every month at 3pm. Stillwater County Pavilion.



### **Photography Class Schedule**

Photography classes are intended for 4-H kids to learn their photography projects. All classes will be held the second Wednesday of the month at 5pm.

Subjects will be determined by the first class of the year. Class dates are subject to change, but plenty of notice will be given.

Call Brittney at 406-272-6288 or bbphotogrpahy.bb@gmail.com
Classes held at West Annex (old hospital conference room) 431 Quarry
December 8—January 12—February 9—March 9

### Mag

Exchange Meetings

Meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm.

Stillwater County Pavilion

# Shooting Sports Practice @ 1pm

November 7, 1-3pm



# Travel Program Wreath Sale

12" Wreath—\$25 24" Wreath—\$60 Please contact the Extension Office or a travel member today. 322-8035



Saturday, November 13th 9am-Noon

Location: Columbus Evangelical Church

We will be crafting some fun Fall and Thanksgiving crafts, that you don't want to miss out on. Please bring some non-perishable food items as well for a donation to Project Hope from our Cloverbud group for this holiday season.

\$10

Happy Thanksgiving!

# Sewing day workshop

November 20th

9-12pm

West Annex Conference Room

\$10 fee to cover materials

We are going to learn some new skills! How to sew a zipper into a project!

We will be making Zippered Box Pouches! Great to keep, or fill and give as gifts.

Sign up by November 15 by emailing Haley (haley.barker@montana.edu) or calling 322-8035

### **Fair Book Cover Contest**

We are looking for your artistic ability/skill to design our Fair book covers for the upcoming year. Please submit your designs to Haley at haley.barker@montana.edu by

<u>December 15</u>. Please design portrait style (vertically). Needs to include something related to 4-H, that is the only rule.

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Save The Date for Beef Weigh In January 9th, 2020
1-3 pm at Midland Bull Test

## **2022 Heifer Futurity Contest**

Application due February 1 to Beartooth Stock Association

See attachment in email for application and rules

Re-Enrollment Deadline

**November 15** 

4h.zsuite.org



### **4-H Welcome Dinner**

**November 10** 

6:30-8:00 pm

### **Fairgrounds-pavilion**

Open to all new families who have joined in the last couple years to learn more about 4-H. We will talk about projects, where 4-H can take you, record and project books and so much more.

Please RSVP to Haley at

haley.barker@montana.edu, or call 322-8035, or respond to the Facebook event on

@stillwatercounty4H with the number of people attending by <u>Tuesday November 9</u> so we can be sure to have enough food!

Questions? Give us a call!



# **CLUB COAT AND FOOD DRIVE**

Stillwater County 4-H clubs are all encouraged to gather as many coats, blankets, hats, gloves and food to donate to our locate Project Hope.

Points are awarded as follows:

5 points: coats and blankets

3 points: hat and gloves

1 point: food items

All clubs will be rewarded with a pizza party for participation and teen leaders will put together games to celebrate.

**BONUS:** The top 2 clubs with the highest club member points will receive an ice cream social for their club (provided by Teen Leaders).

\*\*Please take a picture of the items you collect and we can total your items. If you already donated. Questions please let us know!

Send us an email with your point totals (haley.barker@montana.edu)





# What to do?

Montana 4-H is excited to make the switch to a NEW, more user friendly and updated, 4-H enrollment system. Beginning October 1, 2021 families can access their account and re-enroll using ZSUITE.

Below are the steps to find your family or household ZSuite account and enroll in 4-H for the new, 2021-2022 4-H year.

1.

Using your computer,

device go to www.4h.zsuite.org.

smart phone or other

2.

Click SIGN UP.

Complete all of the fields. Use the FAMILY email address from 4honline as the ADULT EMAIL to connect your previous enrollment with ZSUITE.

If you are not sure what your "family email" is contact your MSU Extension office and they can tell you. Click LET'S GO.

3.

Arrive at your
HOUSEHOLD
DASHBOARD. Click on
the name of the family
member you want to reenroll, click on the blue
"start enrollment" button
and follow the steps.

4.

Complete/Update the personal information, waivers, dub and projects and hit SUBMIT.

\*Counties may have an additional payment step. **President - Melissa Kramer, Vice President - Brian Young, Secretary - Suzi Smith, and Treasurer - Meredith Feddes**Highlights from the Council Meeting...

Meeting was called to order by President Melissa Kramer at 6:07pm. The pledges were recited and correspondence (many thank you's from 4-H members) were passed around. Those in attendance were Wendy Reed, Tammi Kirch, Kathy Hollar, Paul Hollar, Cortney Thiel, Shannon Moore, Brian Young, Haley Barker, Lee Schmelzer, Melissa Kramer, Meredith Feddes, Katrina Feddes and Brent Shay.

### **Reports:**

#### **Teen Leaders**

Haley reported that their last meeting was very brief as it was right before awards night. Teen Leaders did a great job announcing at awards night and handing out awards. Their next meeting will be Sunday October 24<sup>th</sup> at 3pm at the pavilion. All eligible are welcome to attend.

### **Travel Program:**

Tammi reported they still have 3 members. Have prospects of places to travel and will follow up with those areas soon to finalize plans. They are selling wreaths, contact the Extension office or a travel member to get a wreath.

#### Homemakers:

Haley reported about their fall council meeting, with 10 members present. They decided to do a cookbook fundraiser, details of that to come. Homemaker of the year went to Roberta Marsh. As a program they had a discussion of proposed county facilities plans. Future plans may be changing as their treasurer resigned 2 weeks ago. More to come; Haley meets with them again next week.

#### **Old Business:**

### Family fun night:

Much discussion had here about forming a committee to work on this, and share ideas. It was brought up to discuss this with Teen Leaders. Haley will work with them and see what ideas they have.

### **Pig Wrestling Coordination**

Was suggested to discuss with Amber Emmett as she has done the computer side of this. Meredith said she would help Amber. Was then decided that each club needs to have one member and one leader/adult to help run pig wrestling. Submit your volunteer names into Haley after your next club meeting.

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#### Fair week date

Still will be July 10-16, 2022. However, there was discussion about future dates, we should continue to leave our fair at the second week in July to make sure we give our processors enough time between fairs.

### Welcome BBQ

This was an idea brought up at our brainstorming meeting last year, and Haley would like to see this happen as many new members are signing up. Would help answer questions for those new members. Idea is to have a small program at the beginning, then have members of various projects at stations to talk about requirements in their project; then have a rotation for each station for new members to attend. Tammi, Melissa and Shannon will help get this going. If anyone else would like to help with this, please contact the Extension office (all input is welcome).

#### **Action Plans:**

Tammi moved to have Stillwater County 4-H members assist with making tie blankets for Community Health with the cost of blankets not to exceed \$375. Melissa added to have a member stitch a little tag on each blanket to say "made by Stillwater County 4-H" or something of the like.

Wendy seconded this motion, motion passed.

Nikki Markle proposed a few changes to the dog program moved rally to day one so we will do everything we need to do under the Leuthold building then do agility the next day at the fields. Also make each beginning group able to use treats. This has really helped in agility extending it in Rally and Obedience as well. And then updated the obedience levels to correspond better to AKCs levels.

Tammi seconded, motion passed.

### **Council nominations:**

Discussion was had about how to involve more people at council. How to get the word out about what council does. Bringing more people to the table for discussion. Prior to the meeting Suzi Smith declined her position as secretary. A new slate of officers was discussed and presented. Shannon volunteered to fill the secretary position. Meredith moved to keep officers in current positions and add Shannon Moore as secretary. Shannon seconded, motion passed. Officers are: President Melissa Kramer, VP Brian Young, Treasurer Meredith Feddes, and Secretary Shannon Moore

Meredith moved to adjourn the meeting, Wendy seconded.

Next Council Meeting is November 17th at 6pm at the pavilion All are welcome! Please come and listen in and give us ideas.

Each club gets 2 votes!

# **Stillwater County 4-H Clubs and Leaders**

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Club Name	Organizational Leader	Phone number and Email	Meeting date and time	Location of Meeting	
Beartooth Ramblers	Tammi Kirch	855-3839 tmkirch@hotmail.com	1st Monday at 6pm	Call for location	
Broadview Homesteaders	Shelley Erickson Sarah Karpstein	667-2390 shelerickson@yahoo.com akkarpys@yahoo.com	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 7pm	Broadview Community Center	
Johnny's Buckaroos	Melissa Kramer	780-0575 mak.kramer1@gmail.com	1st Sunday Call for time	Stillwater County Fairgrounds- pavilion	
Molt Happy Helpers	Kris Krieger	860-9842 kkrieger1@hotmail.com	1st Sunday at 1pm	Molt School	
Park City Wranglers	Reita Reiter Nicole Hess	860-9754 kevinreita@yahoo.com 633-2097 hesscowboy@yahoo.com	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday at 6:30pm	Park City Civic Center	
Rapeljacks and Jills	Jessica Yorke	663-2262 jessicayorke37@gmail.com	1st Saturday at 9am	Rapelje School- Shop classroom	
Spring Creek Stockgrowers	Beth Pelton	321-2817 bethclanton@hotmail.com	1st Sunday at 4:00pm	Spring Creek Community Center	
Stillwater Ranch Hands	Finis Sandlin	328-6277 sandlin 5@nemont.net	1st Monday at 6:30pm	Nye Fire Hall	
Stillwater Ridge Riders	Wendy Reed	321-1369 nascarfamily99@yahoo.com	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday at 6:30pm	Columbus Evangelical Church	

## Questions? Call the MSU and 4-H Extension office at 322-8035









