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for my club, my community, my country and my world.



On the Horizon

June 15 Application Deadline for Congress, more info page 10

June 30 Camp registration deadline

It's Fair Time - check it out!

June 25 Strut Your Stuff: Static Exhibit Interview Judging 1 to 5 pm

June 27 Livestock and Small Animal Shows; Concessions by Spring Creek and Tin Can Treats

The Dirty Wiener Food Truck available at 5:30 pm, 4-H Dance 7 to 9 pm with Blackberry Jam!

June 28 Livestock Shows, Meat and Greet, Silent Auction and Live Auction

(See the full schedule on page 2!)

2025 4-H Fair Schedule (Print and Carry!)

Monday June 23	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater (WB)
	6 pm: Weatherbeater Washdown with Volunteer Fire Department
Tuesday June 24	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater (WB)
5 pm: Fair Set Up- Old Agency- all members; Report to WB first at 5 pm, Old Agency market animal members will stay at WB	5 pm: Fair Set Up- All market animals members who are on the market animal SET UP crew
Wednesday June 25	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater (WB)
1 to 5:00 pm: Interview Judging for all Fair Entries (6 pm arrange static exhibits - Spring Creek)	
Thursday June 26	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater (WB)
4 to 7 pm: Pavilion open to the Community	5 to 7 pm: Swine Weigh-in and ultrasound
Friday June 27 - Concessions by Spring Creek Club, Tin Can Treats, and The Dirty Wiener	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater (WB) - Concessions by Spring Creek Club!
	8:45 am: Presentation of Flags
9 am to 5 pm: Pavilion open to the Community	9 am: Swine - Market, Breeding and Showmanship Classes
	11 am: Lamb and Goat Weigh-in and ultrasound
	2 pm: Lamb and Goat Shows - Market, Breeding, and Showmanship
	4 pm: Small Animal Show (Dogs at Dog Park, others inside Weatherbeater)
	5 to 7 pm: Beef Weigh-in and ultrasound
	5:30 pm: Food Truck Supper available by The Dirty Wiener
	7 to 9 pm: 4-H and Community Social; Music by Blackberry Jam
Saturday June 28 - Concessions by Spring	Creek Club and Tin Can Treats
Pavilion	Weatherbeater (WB) - Concessions by Spring Creek Club!
	8:45 am: Presentation of Flags
9 am to 12 noon: Pavilion open to the Community	9 am: Beef Shows - Breeding, Dairy, Market, and Showmanship Classes
	12 noon: Round Robin Showmanship Contest
12 to 5 pm: Pavilion Exhibit Pickup (Pavilion will be locked at 5 pm)	5 to 6 pm: Meat and Greet Buyer Appreciation Event
	5 to 6 pm: Registration for Livestock Sale
	6 pm until finished: Livestock Auction
Sunday June 29	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater (WB)
9 am to 12 noon: Pavilion Clean Up Party	6:30 am: Superintendents arrive to organize shipping of market animals
	6:45 am: Optional – 4-H market animal project members may attend, if desired; report to your species superintendent before moving any animal
	9 am to 12 noon: Weatherbeater Clean-up Party



Interview Judging



Wednesday, June 25, 1 pm - 5 pm Choteau Pavilion 204 1st St NE

Club Arrival Times:

Please plan to arrive 15 minutes before your club's interview time for check in.

Challenging Champs 1 pm

Old Agency 2 pm

Prairie Stars & Eager Eagles 3 pm

Spring Creek* 4 pm

*Spring Creek: Arrange Static Exhibits will begin at 6 pm

Check In

At the check in table you will be given entry cards for all entries. Attach your entry cards to your item. If you did not bring an item, return the cards to the registration desk. You will be given a green judging sheet with all of your entries listed.

The Interview

Remain in the interview area until all of your interviews are complete and your judges have marked the ribbon-award color for each entry you brought on the green sheet.

Check-out

Place your exhibit items on the tables in the interview area. Take your green sheet to the check out desk. You will complete 'Thank You' cards and then go to the premium table for your cash awards and ribbons. Top awards will be determined at the end of interview judging. Make sure to visit the Pavilion on Thursday or Friday to find out if you received a top award.



Ag Agent Corner featuring Spring Creek Club!



"OH THE THINGS YOU WILL TASTE AT THE FAIR" HOMEMADE BY SPRING CREEK 4-H CLUB!

- FRIDAY AND SATURDAY COFFEE, FULL MEALS, SNACKS WHILE YOU ENJOY THE LIVESTOCK AND SMALL ANIMAL SHOWS!

Grab a cup of hot coffee to start the morning, then send the kids over for an Italian soda!



Breakfast anyone?

It doesn't get better than pancakes and sausage!

Got Lunch?

Be looking for your favorite kind of
4-H meat at concessions, with a full meal option
and/or homemade treats!



Calling All Bakers to the Meat and Greet!

Supporters love to see our 4-H kids in action because they have SKILLS!



Bakers - you're the stars of the Meat and Greet reception!



Bring your favorite "easy to eat" baked good to the Weatherbeater kitchen on Saturday, June 28

Get Personal Sign and Double the Fun!

Send your recipe and a few words about yourself -with a photo to the Extension office by Monday, June 16th!

Club Commotion: Eager Eagles Fly High!

Eager Eagles host the "Soup Supper" at the United Church of Christ in Fairfield on Tuesday, April 22. They provided five tasty soups and a variety of rolls and bread. This is a free community service that is hosted by different organizations on the last Tuesday of each month throughout the year. Pictured: Cru and Quincee Davis, Laney Wied, and Knox Pearson. Not pictured is Ronnie Pearson, but she helped out too.

Eager Eagles Club members thank Montana Farmers Union for the receipt of one of their \$100 sentence grants again this year. The Eager Eagles sentence was: "The Eager Eagles 4-H Club wants to give back to the community of Fairfield. We would like to split the \$100.00 into two \$50.00 donations. One donation of \$50.00 will go towards paying for a live band at our 4-H Fair dance in June. The remaining \$50.00 will be donated to the New Life Church in Fairfield as a gift for generously allowing our club to use their facility for our monthly club meetings."







Be at the Fair or Be Square!

Set-up Team (Tue Jun 24th 5 pm until done)

Bender, Caleb Bender, Kamber Bender, Keira Bender, Kinsey Bradley, Bryden Davis, Cru Davis, Quincee DeBruycker, Kinsley DeBruycker, Natalie Jacobsen, Elias Jacobsen, Tessa Jordre, Colton Jordre, Kailey Kelley, Dani Lobdell, Kolman Lobdell, Audrey Long, Charlie Long, Claire

Long, Laudi Lytle, Boaz Lytle, Polly Lytle, Theodore Martin, Ledger Redland, Mesa Taylor, Trent Tschida, Tana Toeckes, Grace



Toeckes, Isaac Toeckes, Jackson Toeckes, Mikayla Yeager, Casen Yeager, Justyce Yeager, Rusch

Clean-up Team (Sun Jun 29th 9 am until done)

Banner, Ariana
Banner, Billy
Carlson, Lily
Carlson, Iris
Cherry, Keaton
Crabb, Tate
DeBruycker, Ayden
DeBruycker, Nolan

Donnelly, MaClay Drumm, Liam Gagne, Tucker Grubb, Aliya Harrell, Charley Hodgskiss, Grant Hodgskiss, Hayden Little, Waylon Miller, Nick Morris, Katy Morris, Owen Morris, Sage Neal, Seeley O'Haire, Zane Paulson, Anna Paulson, Leah
Pearson, Korbin
Pearson, Ronnie
Scott, Addy
Scott, Dawson
Elianna Sweetman
Ulsh, Dylan
Weekes, Tensli
Williams, Luci

2025 Teton County Club Rotations

Old Agency

Pavilion set up and clean up

Challenging Champs

Weatherbeater Facility
Maintenance during Fair

Spring Creek

Arrange static exhibits/ Manage greeters/ Judge's snacks

Eager Eagles

Buyer's Appreciation Meal: Meat and Greet

Prairie Stars

Camp facility prep



It's Fair Time! If you have entered your Project Journal Pages in the Fair, make a nice copy (we are happy to help print a copy at the Extension office) to leave on the project display tables in the Pavilion. Hang on to your originals!!

Remember, if you are selling a market animal, you must bring your nearly complete project journal pages (on paper) to the Fair as the basis of your interview. Make them complete, neat and tidy and you could even win a premium!

Record Books are due to your club leaders in August, after review at the club level, each club can put forward their best books for quality judging at the county level. More information in the July newsletter.

A complete Record Book must be submitted (electronically via Zsuite or on paper) each year in order for 4-H members to exhibit, show or sell at next year's Fair.



Oh, the Places You'll Go!

by Dr. Seuss

Congratulations! Today is your day. You're off to Great Places! You're off and away!

You have brains in your head.
You have feet in your shoes.
You can steer yourself
any direction you choose.
You're on your own. And you know what you know.
And YOU are the guy who'll decide where to go.

You'll look up and down streets. Look 'em over with care.

About some you will say, "I don't choose to go there."

With your head full of brains and your shoes full of feet, you're too smart to go down any not-so-good street.

And you may not find any you'll want to go down.
In that case, of course, you'll head straight out of town.

It's opener there in the wide open air.

Out there things can happen and frequently do to people as brainy and footsy as you.

And then things start to happen, don't worry. Don't stew. Just go right along. You'll start happening too.

OH!
THE PLACES YOU'LL GO!

You'll be on your way up! You'll be seeing great sights! You'll join the high fliers who soar to high heights.

You won't lag behind, because you'll have the speed.
You'll pass the whole gang and you'll soon take the lead.
Wherever you fly, you'll be best of the best.
Wherever you go, you will top all the rest.

Except when you don't.
Because, sometimes, you won't.

I'm sorry to say so but, sadly, it's true that Bang-ups and Hang-ups can happen to you.

You can get all hung up in a prickle-ly perch.

And your gang will fly on.

You'll be left in a Lurch.

You'll come down from the Lurch with an unpleasant bump.
And the chances are, then, that you'll be in a Slump.

And when you're in a Slump, you're not in for much fun.
Un-slumping yourself is not easily done.

You will come to a place where the streets are not marked.

Some windows are lighted. But mostly they're darked.

A place you could sprain both your elbow and chin!

Do you dare to stay out? Do you dare to go in?

How much can you lose? How much can you win?

And IF you go in, should you turn left or right... or right-and-three-quarters? Or, maybe, not quite? Or go around back and sneak in from behind? Simple it's not, I'm afraid you will find, for a mind-maker-upper to make up his mind.

You can get so confused that you'll start in to race down long wiggled roads at a break-necking pace and grind on for miles cross weirdish wild space, headed, I fear, toward a most useless place.

The Waiting Place...

...for people just waiting.

Waiting for a train to go
or a bus to come, or a plane to go
or the mail to come, or the rain to go
or the phone to ring, or the snow to snow
or the waiting around for a Yes or No
or waiting for their hair to grow.

Everyone is just waiting.

Waiting for the fish to bite or waiting for the wind to fly a kite or waiting around for Friday night or waiting, perhaps, for their Uncle Jake or a pot to boil, or a Better Break or a string of pearls, or a pair of pants or a wig with curls, or Another Chance.

Everyone is just waiting.

NO! That's not for you!

Somehow you'll escape all that waiting and staying You'll find the bright places where Boom Bands are playing.

With banner flip-flapping, once more you'll ride high! Ready for anything under the sky. Ready because you're that kind of a guy!

Oh, the places you'll go! There is fun to be done!

There are points to be scored. There are games to be won.

And the magical things you can do with that ball

will make you the winning-est winner of all.

Fame! You'll be as famous as famous can be,

with the whole wide world watching you win on TV.

Except when they don't Because, sometimes they won't.

I'm afraid that some times you'll play lonely games too. Games you can't win 'cause you'll play against you. All Alone!
Whether you like it or not,
Alone will be something
you'll be quite a lot.

And when you're alone, there's a very good chance you'll meet things that scare you right out of your pants. There are some, down the road between hither and yon, that can scare you so much you won't want to go on.

But on you will go
though the weather be foul.
On you will go
though your enemies prowl.
On you will go
though the Hakken-Kraks howl.
Onward up many
a frightening creek,
though your arms may get sore
and your sneakers may leak.

On and on you will hike, And I know you'll hike far and face up to your problems whatever they are.

You'll get mixed up, of course,
as you already know.
You'll get mixed up
with many strange birds as you go.
So be sure when you step.
Step with care and great tact
and remember that Life's
a Great Balancing Act.
Just never foget to be dexterous and deft.
And never mix up your right foot with your left.

And will you succeed?
Yes! You will, indeed!
(98 and 3/4 percent guaranteed.)

KID, YOU'LL MOVE MOUNTAINS!

So...

be your name Buxbaum or Bixby or Bray or Mordecai Ali Van Allen O'Shea, You're off the Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So...get on your way!

MONTANA 4-H CONGRESS

4-H for LIFE isn't just a theme—it's a call to adventure! It's all about the journey of growth, leadership, and endless possibilities that 4-H gives you, now and into the future. LIFE stands for Leadership In Future Endeavors, and that's exactly what 4-H helps you build—skills and experiences that will set you up for success long after you've left the 4-H community.



July 8th - 11th, 2025

WHAT PARTICPANTS CAN EXPECT FROM 4-H CONGRESS:

- Make connections with peers, both youth and adult from across Montana.
- Learn by doing Get practical experience through hands-on activities and competitions.
- Discover fresh ideas from workshops and national speakers that will fuel your future success.
- Build your network of mentors and friends who will cheer you on.
- Set yourself up for success— Participate in workshops that open doors to new careers

This event is the cornerstone of Montana 4-H's Beyond Ready initiative which prepares young people for the challenges and opportunities of the future by helping them build the skills needed to be healthy, productive, and engaged.

WHO CAN ATTEND?

• Any Teton County 4-Her age 13 - 19

Teton County Requirements

- First year attending, not required to participate in a competition
- Second year attending, required to participate in a competition
 - All competitions are open to anyone, competing at the county level is not required

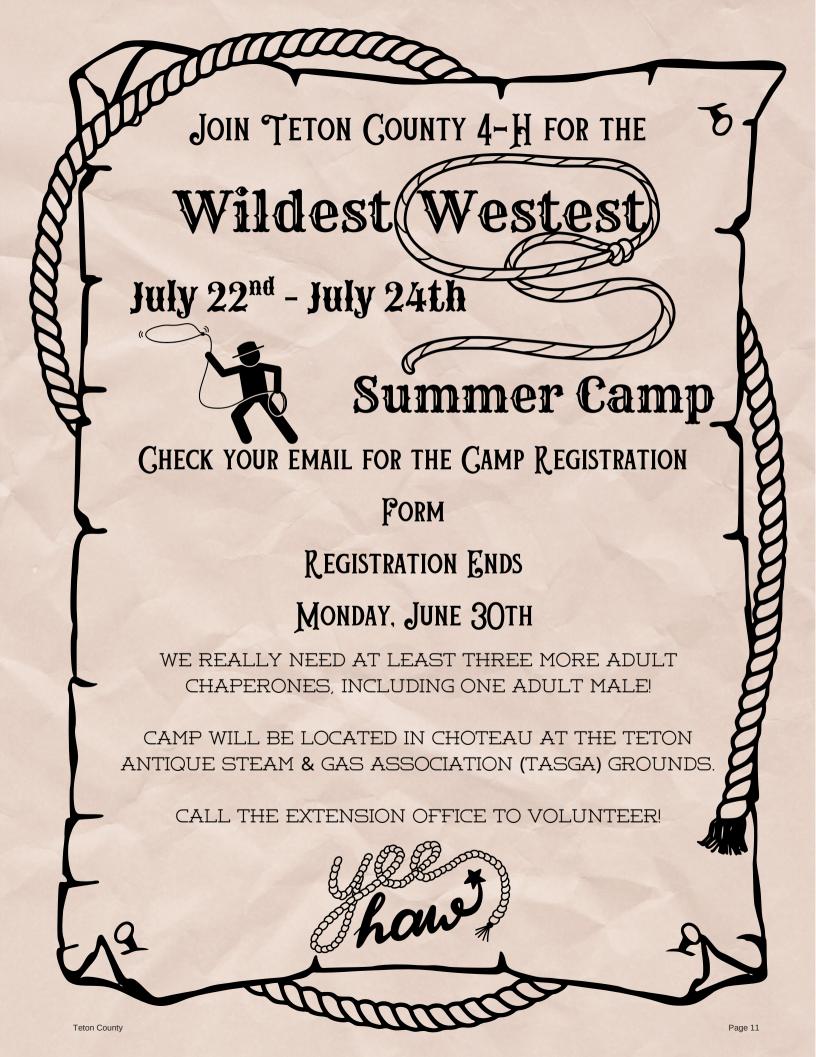
An adult chaperone (certified 4-H volunteer) is needed to transport and attend with participants. A Teton County Extension Agent will not be attending Congress this year. Please contact the office if you are interested in chaperoning.

Application in ZSuite will close June 15.

Teton County 4-H Council will cover half of the cost of attendance.







Contact Info/Resources

Teton County MSU Extension Mailing Address:

• PO Box 130, Choteau, MT 59422 Phone (voice call):

• 466-2491/2492

Text only:

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Email (send club minutes, most questions/issues):

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Other:

- https://www.montana.edu/extension/teton
- https://www.facebook.com/TetonCoExt
- https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h

Fair Dates

2025 June 24-29

2026 June 22-28

4-H Congress, Bozeman

2025 July 8-11

2026 July 7-10

Camp Dates

2025 July 22-24

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