

TOOLE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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Hello 4-H Families!

The new 4-H year started October 1, 2024. To re-enroll, leaders and families can log in to their account at 4h.zsuite.org. Please call the office or stop by if you have any questions. Remember to enter member's 4-H age which is the age of member as of October 1, 2024. Some projects have age restrictions as follows:

Cloverbuds 5-7

Regular 4-H projects 8 and up

All shooting sports projects 9 and up

All cattle projects 10 and up

We will be hosting an open house sign up/re-enrollment on October 9th from 4 - 6:30 pm in the Extension Office. Please stop by if you have any questions.

We have been asked to cater the MRE Dinner again, so stay tuned for a Sign Up Genius to schedule a time for your family to set up, serve, or clean up.

2024-2025 Clover Magazines are now available in the office for anyone who wants to get a head start on next year! As always, please let us know if you have any questions. You can stop by the office anytime!

Kim & Jackie

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UPCOMING EVENTS

National 4-H Week

This year's National 4-H week theme is "Beyond Ready"

National 4-H Week is October 6-12. There are many ways to promote 4-H. You and/or your club can wear your 4-H shirts to school, decorate your lockers or a store window, and encourage friends to sign up. We will be having an open house for new sign ups/re-enrollment on Oct 9th from 4 - 6:30pm. We will be doing the Walk N Wheel to Shelby Schools on Wednesday.

Mountain View Co-op Junior Program

The Mountain View Co-op Junior Livestock Program is designed to help students get the best out of their animals and learn valuable skills to help them become successful farmers and ranchers in the future. This membership offers to charge feed to care for their animals, interest free, through September 15th of each year- there is a limit of two animals per member. The application will be emailed to you with the newsletter or you can pick it up in the office.

2024 Golden Triangle 4-H Volunteer Summit

The Golden Triangle 4-H Volunteer Summit will be Saturday, November 16 at the First Baptist Church in Shelby from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Lunch will be provided, and childcare is pending. Anyone involved in a 4-H volunteer or leadership role is welcome and encouraged to participate. Please 'Save the Date' and watch for upcoming registration information.

2024 Golden Triangle 4-H Volunteer Summit

Saturday, November 16, 2024

First Baptist
Church
Shelby, MT

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Lunch Provided
Childcare Pending

Workshops &
Networking



For more information:
Contact your location Extension Office or
Kari Lewis, kari.lewis@montana.edu
406-873-2239



UPCOMING EVENTS

Fall Leadership Training Nov. 1-3, 2024 in Billings, Montana

Fall Leadership Training is the annual leadership development retreat for Montana 4-H Ambassadors and Teen Leaders. The event is planned, implemented, and evaluated by the State Ambassador Officer Team. Youth will leave the weekend prepared and excited to take the knowledge and skills they have gained and apply them in their counties. It is also a great place to have youth leaders exchange ideas and create a statewide network of resources.

Youth 14 and up (as of October 1, 2024) are eligible. Participants must register in ZSuites (registration to come).

The weekend runs from Friday evening (5:30 p.m. start) to Sunday morning (10:30 a.m. close) with all meals and lodging included. This is a great opportunity to meet other 4-H teen leaders from across Montana and grow as a leader.

MRE Dinner

We will be serving the MRE Dinner again this year on October 16th. Dinner is at 6pm. I will be sending out a "Sign Up Genius" in an email so families can sign up for shifts. We will need a set up crew, serving crew, and a take down crew. Please keep in mind that we will be serving around 250 people.

We will be finalizing what we will bring at the October 8th meeting, but here is a list of what each club brought last year.

Kountry Kids: 24 dozen rolls, 2 large lemonade, 8 #10 cans of beans, roasters

West Butte: 300 Cupcakes

Blazing Saddles: 300 Potatoes, 400 butter pats, 10lbs of sour cream, roaster, 2 large bowls

4-H Council: 15 bags of salad, salad dressing, horseradish, ketchup, coffee, paper products: plates, small napkins, cream, sugar, salt, pepper

TOOLE COUNTY BLAZING ARROWS 4-H ARCHERY SIGN UP

By Julean Hanson

Registration for Blazing Arrows 4-H Archery begins October 1st at the Toole County Extension Office and online at <https://toole.msuextension.org/4H.html> or through <https://4h.zsuite.org> . The deadline to register is Wednesday, October 16th to have your registration turned in with the money. We look forward to an eventful year of archery with the kids. It is \$30 per person or \$60 per family. Anyone 9 years of age as of October 1, 2024 or older is eligible to join. If you are not in a 4-H club, then you enroll as Special Interest and pay the \$8.50 fee. Our first day will be October 23rd to set up the archery range at the Marias Fair Exhibit Building. We shoot on Wednesday nights from October to March. Our club has bows for archers to rent for the session if they need a bow. The kids have the opportunity to participate in Fun Day shoots and competitions around the state. If you have any questions, contact the Toole County Extension Office at 424-8350. We look forward to having you shoot with us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Glacier County FSA Youth Loans

If you are looking for a way to finance your 4-H projects for this year, consider visiting with the Farm Service Agency. They recently increased the loan limit to \$10,000 and funds can be used for the purchase of animals, feed, supplies, etc. Youth between the ages of 10 and 20 are eligible. Loans are repaid annually and can be termed out for up to seven years for the purchase of breeding stock. The interest rate is currently 5.25%. Please contact Lacy Roberts or Eric Morrisett at the Glacier County FSA at 406-873-5618 ext. 2. Lacy and Eric are serving the Toole County area, as well.

Calling All 4-H Artists!

Introducing the Marias Fair Cup Logo Contest!

Get ready to showcase your creativity and artistic talents, 4-H members! We're thrilled to announce the Marias Fair Cup Logo Contest, open to all 4-H'ers in Glacier, Liberty, Pondera, and Toole Counties and the Blackfeet Reservation.

This exciting competition invites you to design a one-of-a-kind logo that will be featured on the official Marias Fair stadium cups. Your drawing or digital artwork must incorporate the iconic 4-H clover and be limited to just two colors. Whether you prefer the classic feel of sketching or the digital magic of graphic design, let your imagination run wild! Imagine seeing your creation proudly displayed at the fairgrounds, used by fairgoers from across the region.

This is your chance to leave a lasting mark on the Marias Fair experience. So grab your pencils, styluses, or graphic tablets, and get ready to go "Beyond Ready" with an unforgettable logo that captures the spirit of 4-H. The contest is open now, so start designing your masterpiece today!

The deadline to enter is November 1st. Email your artwork to Lisa Terry at lterry@montana.edu.

Achievement Day Awards

Save the date for Achievement Day Awards on Sunday, November 3rd. It will be in Sunburst at the Sunburst Community Center starting at 6pm.

Please dress in Sunday best or showmanship attire.

Air Rifle and Pistol Sign ups

Sign ups for Air Rifle and Pistol will be held on Sunday, November 3rd from noon-3pm at the Shooting Sports Building on the top of the hill. 714 Ash Ave

If you have any questions please contact Joe Hofer 406-450-2041.

OCTOBER

- 1st-** New 4-H Year starts- Sign ups are open
- 2nd-** Open House/ 4-H Sign ups in Sunburst 4-6:30pm @ the Library
- 6th-** Blazing Saddles Club Meeting 2pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 6th-12th-** National 4-H Week
- 8th-** 4-H Council Meeting 6:30pm @ Extension Office
- 9th-** 4-H Week Walk and Wheel Wednesday 7:30am
- 9th-** Open House/ 4-H Sign Ups in Shelby 4-6:30pm @ Extension Office
- 13th-** West Butte organizational meeting
- 14th- Office Closed- Indigenous People's Day**
- 16th -** MRE Dinner
- 18th-** Deadline to register for Fall Leadership Training
- 21-25th-** Kim at Annual Conference in Bozeman
- 23rd-** Archery Range Set up
- 29th-** Homesteader Series #5
- 30th-** Livestock Committee Meeting

NOVEMBER

- 3rd-** Achievement Day 6-8pm @ Sunburst Community Center
- 3rd-** Air Rifle and Pistol Sign ups noon-3pm @ Shooting Sports Building
- 5th- Election Day Office Closed**
- 11th- Veterans Day- Office Closed**
- 19th-** Small Animal Committee Meeting 7pm @ MRE
- 21st-** Kim's Birthday
- 28th- Thanksgiving- Office Closed**

Toole County 4-H Club

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