

SANDERS COUNTY DISPATCH ~ 4-H NEWS

Congratulations

to the following Sanders County 4-H Members

Communication Results

Top 4 Junior Demonstrators

- 1st - Katherine Wrobleski
- Melodie Cook
- Noah Scharfe
- Sophia LaFriniere

Top 4 Senior Demonstrators

- 1st - Claire Wrobleski
- 2nd - Sydnee Wilson
- 3rd - Vanessa Horner
- 4th - Mikiah Cook

Great Work!

Happy Birthday

April

Piper Bergstrom	3
Ana Nottnagel	5
Lauryn Aldridge	8
Brianna Horner	10
Emmalee Hafner	12
Theodor Nygaard	18
Bella Nottnagel	22
Cody Hansen	28
Jonah Leisz	28

May

Christian Richards	1
Jody Page	1
Isabel Morton	7
Luke Sanders	15
Hannah Warnes	17
Isabella Pardee	20
Weston Haun	25
Josey Neesvig	27

Top Seller of Fruit

Noah Scharfe

Noah has earned a gift card to Ripples Ice Cream Parlor in Plains in addition to a t-shirt for selling 20 or more cases of fruit.



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Watch For Multi-County 4-H Camp Registrations

Multi-County 4-H Camp will take place **June 21-26** at Darrell Fenner 4-H Camp on Loon Lake near Bigfork. Youth ages 8-12 (on October 1, 2020) are invited to participate as campers. The Sanders County 4-H Council pays \$40 toward the cost of camp for members who participated in a communication presentation. Registration forms will be emailed to 4-H families. **WATCH YOUR EMAIL!**



Leaders Watch for the Jake Legard Camp Scholarship Nomination Form

Multi-County Camp registrations may be assisted by a Jake Legard Memorial Camp Scholarship. Full camp scholarships are awarded in Jake's memory.

These Scholarships are made possible by a scholarship fund established by Jake's family.

Volunteer leaders may nominate member(s) to receive one of these scholarships. Those nominations will be due in the Extension Office by **Monday, May 17th**. The scholarship nomination form will be emailed to leaders and can also be found on our website here

<https://sanders.msueextension.org/multicountycamp.html>

Montana 4-H Congress

We are currently accepting Letters of Interest from members (age 13+ as of Oct. 1, 2020) interested in joining the 2021 Gavel Games Team, Livestock Judging Team, Horse Judging Team, or Horse Skill-A-Thon contests. The teams will compete with teams from around the state at Montana 4-H Congress **July 13-16** in Bozeman, July will set up practice sessions if you are interested. Interested members must complete a letter of interest and submit it to the Extension Office by **May 15**. Members who have already qualified to go to Congress must complete a Letter of Interest also. This will allow the Extension Office to know you plan to attend. The Sanders County 4-H Council financially supports all but \$50 of this event for all members chosen who participated in a communication presentation.

Please see the attached Letter of Interest Form & Watch your email for additional information.



National Volunteer Week April 18-24, 2021

The 4-H programs work due to the efforts of volunteers. Whether you are a volunteer leader, a communication judge, fair judge, a parent, or are involved in another way YOU make 4-H happen!

THANK YOU
to all our volunteers!



*Thank you for your support of the Sanders County 4-H program throughout the past year.
You make 4-H possible!*

4-H Vehicle License Plates

Have you noticed vehicles driving around with a 4-H specialty license plate on them? There are some, but if you haven't seen any this is an awareness notice to let you know, 4-H Specialty License Plates exist and they are available for anyone in Montana, the 4-H plate requires an administration and production fee to the county and a \$20 yearly fee. The \$20 yearly fee goes entirely to the 4-H program. Ten dollars goes to our local county 4-H Council, \$5 goes to the state 4-H leaders council, and \$5 goes to the state 4-H Foundation. The 4-H plate has been available in Montana since 2002 but many people do not know they exist. Those of you who are interested in supporting the 4-H program and would like to have the 4-H license plate on your vehicle, remember to purchase one the next time you relicense your vehicle.



Planning a fundraiser this year?

Consider snow cones and/or popcorn. The Sanders County 4-H Council rents out the machines through the Extension Office. Be sure to reserve your date by calling the Extension Office!



2021 Swine, Sheep & Goat Tagging Information

Tagging for market sheep, market swine, and market goat will take place at the Sanders County Fairgrounds in Plains. Tagging will be **sheep/goats** 10am-11am and **swine** 10am-2pm.

The date is TBA so please keep an eye out for an email with updated information on when it will take place.

Disinfectant will be used between animals to minimize the risk of transmitting any illness.

If you have questions please call the Sanders County Extension Office at 827-6934.

Fair Dining Hall Work Schedule

All 4-H families are asked to sign up for a shift to work in the 4-H Dining Hall (pavilion) during the fair. *Please return the sign-up sheet included in this dispatch to the Extension Office or sign up online at this link by May 31*
<https://sanderscountyextension.wufoo.com/forms/kitchen-shift/>

The 4-H fair schedule is attached to this email. Please remember to check sports schedules, church schedules, etc. that your family members may be involved in prior to filling in your top three choices of shifts to work. Revenue from the dining hall goes to the Sanders County 4-H Council which provides funds to members and leaders for various 4-H educational events.

DATES TO REMEMBER 2020-2021

April

26 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm – Plains Farmhouse Café

May

1 State Award applications due in State 4-H Office
15 Letters of Interest forms for Congress due in Extension Office
16 State 4-H Leadership Academy, 2:30pm – Online
17 Jake Legard Memorial Camp Scholarship applications due for Multi-County Camp
24 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm – Plains Farmhouse Café
31 Fair Dining Hall shift sign up due in Extension Office

June

1 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Minnie's Café, Thompson Falls
TBA Sheep/Market Goat/Swine Tagging, Sanders County Fairgrounds in Plains
13 State 4-H Leadership Academy, 2:30pm – Online
15 Pre-Congress applications due
15 Montana State 4-H Congress registration deadline
22-25 Multi-County 4-H Camp
28 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm – Plains Farmhouse Café

July

1 Project Add/Drop deadline
1 Barn Patrol sign-up begins
TBA Pre-Congress – Bozeman
13-16 Montana State 4-H Congress – Bozeman
7 Online FairEntry registration begins
26 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm – Plains Farmhouse Café

August

3 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Plains Farmhouse Café
3 Leader of the Year nominations due
3 Honorary Member nominations due
3 Little Chief Award Applications due
3 Junior Achievement Award nomination/applications due
4 Last day on online FairEntry registration
11 Last day to sign up for Barn Patrol
TBA Little Chief interviews
23 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm – Plains Farmhouse Café
28 Fair Readiness Day
28 County 4-H Horse Show

September

1-5 Sanders County Fair
TBA Carcass Evaluation – Superior Meats
17 Member record books due to Club Organizational Leader
17 Outstanding Member county award nominations due to Club Organizational Leader
27 Record book results due to Extension Office from Organizational Leader
27 List of Outstanding Member County awards due to the Extension Office from Organizational Leaders
27 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm – Plains Farmhouse Café

October

5 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m., Minnie's Café, Thompson Falls
5 Record books to be considered for awards due in Extension Office
5 Legard Citizenship Award Nominations due in Extension Office
25 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. - Plains Farmhouse Cafe
TBA Fall Ambassador Training

Sanders County
4-H COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2021, - Farmhouse Cafe, Plains

Meeting was called to order at 6:40pm by President Joanne Burk.

February meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's report: Funds include grant money for refinishing the interior of a portion of the Home Ec building and a \$500 4-H Innovation Grant (birds). In addition, Sanders County is the agency in charge of camp funds for 2021. Montana 4-H Foundation holds \$254 in managed agency accounts, \$3,189 in the scholarship fund, and \$18,071 in the Jake Legard memorial fund (\$722 interest available for camp scholarships.)

Fruit Sale profits were down this year based on higher retailer prices and fewer cases sold overall. Clubs may donate their 5% of club sales to the council. The paper order form will be modified to match the online order app. Cloverbuds permission to sell will be discussed at an upcoming agent meeting.

Communication Days were held at the club level due to the pandemic. The process was generally well received. Families were positive, participation was easier for leaders to track, and the schedule was flexible. Council discussed members use of previous demonstrations and fine-tuning the following year.

Sanders County Expectations handout was reviewed. Consensus is to continue as written.

Dining Hall schedule evening shifts are often short of workers. Stacy will revamp schedules to include shorter evening shifts and no Cloverbuds on the first and last shift of the day. Carmen made a motion to omit Thursday and Friday lunch. Motion seconded and carried. Decision was based on fewer meals sold and difficulty finding workers to fill all shifts.

4-H Exchange is cancelled for 2021.

Scholarship interviews will be conducted later in April.

Fair Projects: Fair Commission has received a bid of \$5500 for renovation of the showers, including new toilets, removing and reinstalling shower stalls, replacing moldy drywall, priming and painting. Carmen moved that council contribute 25% of the cost using funds from our managed agency account, with a request for adding heat and a floor drain. Motion seconded and carried. Juli will request bids for the heating and floor drain. Food storage shelving in the pavilion is complete, and the new lock is on the door. Juli will schedule workdays for the renovations in the Home Ec building.

AVISTA Charity Golf Scramble has been cancelled for 2021.

Fashion Revue is cancelled based on interest from only one member. Information will be featured on the website to encourage future participation.

Multi-county camp is possible based on the camp finding a new manager. Jake Legard camp nomination/application reminders will be due soon. Shooting Sports Camp and Cloverbud Camp are no longer held due to staffing changes.

Congress is in the planning stages, hoping to have an in-person event and working with MSU to schedule according to regulations etc.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Dwyer, Secretary pro tem

Members present: President Joanne Burk, Aimee Foyil (WPH); Jen Christensen, Treasurer Carmen Jackson (HSW); Danice Toyias, Karen Dwyer (TFM); Stacy Nelson (Kitchen Cook), Linda Denny (Guest); Juli Thurston (County Extension Agent).

LIVESTOCK MINUTES

March 22, 2021

Juli Thurston – Agent; Alan Hafner – President; Pat Wilson – Vice Chair; Ryan Burk – Swine Superintendent; Michele McGuigan – Horse Superintendent; Mindi Wilson.

Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm

Minutes from January Meeting: Approved

Treasurer's Report: None

Agenda Review: No additions/corrections

Old Business:

Fair Improvements: Ideas: The show arena has been leveled and planted and is looking great. Ryan is working on the Jason Hanna sign and will look at the goat pen gates that need to be repaired. Doug hopes to do some updates in the Rabbit/Poultry Barn. Painting the metal on the bleachers will be scheduled next summer. Horse arena tie rail. Hot Springs FFA said they could do the tie rail. Michele has contacted them with details. Sand & gravel will need to be moved into the horse stalls before 2021 fair. Pat will get quotes for the sand. Suggested to add feet to the outdoor horse/beef panels so they don't sink. Carmen will visit with Hot Springs FFA to see if this is something they'd be interested in doing.

Market Livestock Processing Update: Discussed when to deliver steers after fair to processor. Juli is getting feedback from carcass eval judges on preferred number of days to hang before evaluating.

2021 Judges: Jon Bouma from Ravalli County will not be able to judge after all. Juli will check with other suggested options. Laura Bakker is available to judge the horse show.

New Business:

Fair Schedule: The horse show will be the Saturday before the fair. Sheep and Goats will show Thursday at 1:00 pm.

Species Reports

Beef: A showmanship/grooming clinic is in the works for this summer. We will plan to have DNA results by fair time this year.

Horse: Nothing new to report

Poultry: Nothing new to report

Rabbit: Nothing new to report

Sheep/Goat/Llama: Nothing new to report

Swine: Nothing new to report

Announcements:

Next Meeting: Monday, April 26, 2021 at 6:30 pm, Plains Farmhouse Cafe.

PLEASE SIGN-UP FOR SHIFTS TO WORK IN THE DINING HALL AT THE FAIR

Return to: Sanders County Extension Office, 2504 Tradewinds Way Suite 1B, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
by May 31st OR this form may be submitted online at the following link:

[linkhttps://sanderscountyextension.wufoo.com/forms/kitchen-shift/](https://sanderscountyextension.wufoo.com/forms/kitchen-shift/)

4-H Family of _____

(Please, remember to consider your fair judging schedules, sports, school & church schedules, etc. when choosing shifts).

Remember, the sooner you sign up, the more likely you are to receive your preferred shift. Just in case your first choice is not available, be sure to fill in your **second & third choices**.

Member Name: _____
Day/Shift Time
1st Choice _____
2nd Choice _____
3rd Choice _____

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Day/Shift Time
1st Choice _____
2nd Choice _____
3rd Choice _____

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Day/Shift Time
1st Choice _____
2nd Choice _____
3rd Choice _____

Parent participation is extremely important in the success of this fundraiser!

Thanks for your willingness to share your time & efforts with the youth of Sanders County

Parent Name: _____
Day/Shift Time
1st Choice _____
2nd Choice _____
3rd Choice _____

Parent Name: _____
Day/Shift Time
1st Choice _____
2nd Choice _____
3rd Choice _____

SHIFTS

Wednesday

1:00-4:00 pm

Thursday

6:00 am - 9:00 am

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

2:30 pm - 5:30 pm

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Friday

6:00 am - 9:00 am

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

2:30 pm - 5:30 pm

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Saturday

6:00 am - 9:00 am

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Sunday

6:00 am - 9:00 am

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

***Due to low attendance in the past we will not be offering lunch on Thursday or Friday this year.**

***We ask that only older members work on the first and last shift each day.**