



TOOLE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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Hello 4-H Families!

Registration for this next 4-H year starts in October so please keep a look out for more information!

There are various committees that parents can join, such as, the livestock committee, small animal committee, horse committee, exhibit building committee and the food booth committee. Please let us know if you would like to be on one of these committees for this next 4-H year.

We have clover books in the office that tell you what kinds of projects you can do and a little information about each project. Feel free to stop in and get one.

This is the last month of the Farmers Market. There are many different items at the market, including soaps, candles, jewelry, freeze dried goods. We also have local musicians performing while you shop. At every market, there is a different organization raising money for their club by serving a dinner for \$10.00 per plate. You get the main course, a side, and desert! Come down and support the different groups!

As always, please let us know if you have any questions. You can stop by the office anytime!

Kim & Jackie

TAKE A PEEK AT WHAT'S INSIDE:
UPCOMING EVENTS
CALENDAR



UPCOMING EVENTS

6th Annual Pick your own Pumpkin Patch

Shelby Community Garden

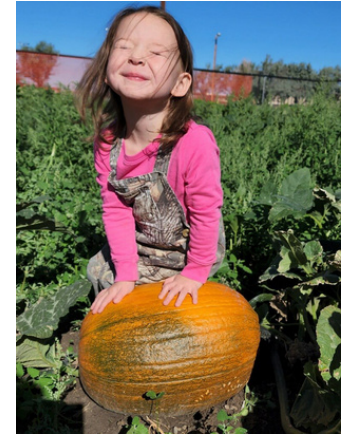
Saturday October 1st @ 9AM-12PM and Monday October 3rd after school until 6:30pm

PUMPKINS, SQUASH, GOURDS

Located at the corner of Gallatin St & Westwood Ave

Behind the Football field

FREE WILL DONATIONS ACCEPTED



Fall Leadership Training

Join the new Ambassador Officer team for a fun filled, action packed weekend of leadership training. Anyone interested in furthering their leadership skills and ability to impact the club and community are welcome! This is a great time to connect with those friends you may have met at 4-H Congress or meet new people from around Montana. Not sure if this event is for you? Reach out to one of the state officers and have a conversation, they are more than happy to fill you in on what you would be missing if you skip this great event! 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. Fall Training will be Friday, October 21- Sunday, October 23, 2022 in Great Falls at the Holiday Inn. Registration cost is \$175, including lodging (2 to a room), meals Saturday and Breakfast Sunday and program costs. Adult chaperones will have lodging options during registration.

Those participants interested in attending can register by logging into their Z-Suite account. Youth participants must be 14 on or before October 1st. Volunteer chaperones must be at least 21 and a certified volunteer.

Z-Suite Enrollment for 2022-2023

Montana 4-H is using the Z-Suite platform for enrollment. Z-Suite also provides a record book platform where members can work on books via a mobile device, leaders can check books remotely, etc. A re-enrolling family should follow the following steps to access their record and set up their Z-Suite account on or after October 1. This can be done on a computer or mobile device. Families will also be able to pay registration fees online instead of paying the clubs and the clubs paying the 4-H Council!

- Go to <https://4h.zsuite.org/>
- Click on Sign Up
- Fill in all of the fields to set up FAMILY account.
- Adult email should match the Family email loaded from 4-HOnline. (if you used 4-HOnline previously)
- Adult email and password will also be used for anyone in the family to login to Z-Suite in the future.
- The Adult/Family email can be changed by the parent once the account is set up the first time.
- The pin is used by parents and is needed for enrollment of family members.
- Click "Let's Go!"
- Each family member previously enrolled in 4Honline should appear on the main screen in a colored box.

There is also an option to add a new family member.

- Click on each family member to go to their dash-board and begin enrollment.
- If at any point a family has trouble, they can click the "CHAT" box at the bottom of their screen and chat with a Z-Suite support person.

Project Age Requirements - Here is something to keep in mind when registering! You must meet the minimum required age by October 1, 2022 in order to enroll in each project.

- Cloverbuds - 5 years old
- Regular 4-H - 8 years old
- Shooting Sports - 9 years old
- Market Beef & Beef Breeding - 10 years old
- Teen Leadership - 13 years old
- Ambassador - 14 years old
- Colt to Maturity - 11 years old and have completed Horsemanship Levels 1, 2, and 3

State Horse Show: September 9-11 at Cottonwood Equine Center in Joliet, MT.

Horse Ambassador Application: Youth 14 and up and riding level 3 or above to apply.

Poultry Cages

Marias Fair Ag Committee is in need of some help bringing new to us poultry cages home!! If someone is going to Kalispell soon and would have time to pick up a load please let Brittany Hotchkiss or Kim Woodring know. The ideal setup would be someone with a pickup and trailer and maybe a helper for loading! If you are able and willing to help, let us know and we will work out the details. Thank you!

Marias Fair Sidewalk Project

Breaunna Erickson, of Pondera County, is the recipient of a \$500 People Partner grant for her sidewalk project at the Marias Fairgrounds. Breaunna is in the process of raising funds to add sidewalks to the fairgrounds. This will allow people with mobility issues, families with strollers and basically everyone to navigate the 4-H area of the fairgrounds more comfortably.

If you are interested in donating, you can contact the Pondera County Extension Office by calling 406.271.4054, e-mailing pondera@montana.edu or by mail at 20 4th Ave SW, Conrad, MT 59425.

Montana Make It With Wool Contest

The Montana Make It With Wool Contest will be held in person on October 22, 2022. It is hosted by the American Sheep Industry and only happens once a year. Contestants include sewers, knitters, crochets, felters, and designers. First place in the Junior and Senior divisions of participating contest, as well as the At Large Contest, for non participating states, you are invited to participate in the National Competition.

If you would like more information stop by the office and we will give you a brochure.

Toole County 4-H Due Date is November 15th, 2022.

4-H dues are charged to cover insurance and materials cost. In the past the club has collected dues from the members and then the club paid the 4-H Council. This has been somewhat a cumbersome process. One of the features of our new online registration program is that we can now collect dues online with a credit or debit card. Families may still pay will check or cash but must bring it to the office in a timely manner.

Members will not be considered registered unless their dues are paid. Club members are required to pay dues by November 16 to participate in 4-H activities and be covered by insurance. Project materials will not be ordered for members until their dues are paid.

DUES MUST BE PAID BY NOVEMBER 16 EITHER ONLINE OR AT THE OFFICE FOR MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN 4-H FOR THE 2022-23 YEAR.

4-H Week October 2-8

The theme is Opportunity4All. We typically decorate the bulletin board at the courthouse in honor of 4-H Week. Clubs also decorate windows of our local businesses. In the past, clubs have also handed out goodies at school and sent out fliers to the schools. I would be happy to make some materials if any of the clubs want to do that this year! We are really in need of adult volunteers and possibly someone to start another club in Shelby. So always be promoting!

SEPTEMBER

1st- Farmers Market 4-6pm @ City Park

5th- Office Closed- Labor Day

7th - Marias Fair Board Meeting

9th- State Horse Show in Joliet, MT

13th- 4-H Council Meeting @ 6:30PM in the Extension Office

8th- Farmers Market 4-6pm @ City Park

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OCTOBER

1st- Z-Suite is open for New Member Registration

1st- New 4-H Year Begins

2nd-8th- National 4-H Week

10th- Columbus Day- Office Closed

21- 23- Fall Ambassador Leadership Training

26th- Marias Fair Livestock Committee Meeting

31st- Halloween

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