



MARCH  
2022

# STILLWATER COUNTY

## 4-H NEWSLETTER

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### HAPPY MARCH

Anybody wishing for spring yet? We have been keeping busy in this chilly weather. Our office renovations are coming along. Last month we moved Haley & Lee's offices, tore down some walls, painted and started creating our conference room. We can't wait for you to see the improvements.

There was no council meeting last month due to the weather, so there are no minutes attached this month. We do have the Summer camp applications attached. Camp will be June 7-10th, applications are accepted on a first come, first serve basis so please submit them ASAP if you plan to have your child attend. Reminder that partial scholarships are available.

As always if you have anything you feel needs to be brought to the council or clubs you are always welcome to contact us at the office.

### March Birthdays

Danielle Hess	Tayah Kovanda	Zoey Peters
Henry Davis	Corbin Reed	Cory Yorke
Julianna Feddes	Brystol Davis	Danika Dexter
Breelee Short	Malachi Eisenbraun	Isaac Dobrinski
Royce Nick	Ryan Heiken	Hunter Emmett
Rayne Emmett	Scott Lewis	Jordan Hieken
Tyce Smith	Levi Meier	Bexley Crago



# MONTHLY WORKSHOPS & MEETINGS



## Monthly Meetings

Exchange Meeting:  
8th @ 6pm, Extension office

Teen Leaders Meetings:  
27th 3:00PM @ Extension Office

Council Meeting:  
16th @ 6pm, Pavilion

## Spring Into 4-H

### Cloverbud Workshop

Sunday, March 13th—2:30 to 4:30

Columbus Evangelical Church

Join us for a fun workshop as we prepare for Spring. We will be decorating bird houses and bird feeders and preparing homes for the birds migration back to Montana. We will also be decorating flower pots, planting some beautiful flowers and learning about gardening.

**\$20**

## Monthly Events

### DOG CLASSES

Dog practices starting every third Thursday of each month. Check Stillwater County 4-H Dog Project FB page for updates. For more information call Nikki at: 855-3386

### SHOOTING SPORTS

**PRACTICE**  
MARCH 20TH &  
APRIL 3RD  
2-4 PM



### Congratulations



Big congratulations to the Stillwater Ranch Hands they were the winners of the BHA Cat food Challenge! For bringing in the most donations they will be recieved a club pizza party!

### Announcement:

Our 4-H photography classes are still being run by the fantastic Brittney Jackson but her business has done some rebranding she is now Western Soul Photography.



### Photography Class

Classes will be held  
2nd Wednesday of the  
month at 5:00 PM  
March 9th

Call Brittney (406)272-6288  
or [westernsoulphotography@gmail.com](mailto:westernsoulphotography@gmail.com)

West Annex (old hospital  
conference room) 431 Quarry

### SPRING TRAINING CLASSES

What: Group Classes  
\*Basic Obedience  
\*Tricks & Training  
Where: Stillwater County Pavilion  
When: Monday Evenings  
Time: TBD  
(based on numbers in each class)  
Starts: April 4th  
Length: 6 Weeks, 1 hour each week  
Investment: \$120 for Community Members  
Free to Active 4H Dog Participants  
Gift: A portion of each paid registration will go to the Stillwater County 4H Dog Program  
Instructor: Nikki Markle



At end of 6 weeks, you will have the opportunity to test for your CGC and/or Trick Titles, if you choose. See AKC.org for more information on titles.

Contact information: Nikki Markle  
Canine Connection on Facebook  
406-855-3386  
[nikki.canine.connection@gmail.com](mailto:nikki.canine.connection@gmail.com)





# COUNTY NEWS & HAPPENINGS

## Workshop Leaders Wanted

We are tentatively planning a Make it Take it, Workshop Day for early April. We are looking for ideas and leaders to help run the classes. Previously we have had workshops for : Woodworking, baking, Dutch Oven Cooking, Simple Sewing, Crochet, Ice cream science, Rock art, Marble painting and more.

If you have a hobby, craft or skill, you would like to share with our 4-Hers please consider contacting us about being a workshop host. We will supply materials and provide workshop location.



## Pig News



Park City Show Pigs Sale

**March 26**

Online at Montana Cattle ConneXion at <https://www.montanacattleconnexion.com/>

**Contact Mike Baker at 406-860-7718 to come look at the pigs**



From Park County 4-H Agent: Miller Farms has 4H pigs ready. They are a Hampshire Yorkshire Duroc cross.

Contact Cindy Miller for more details at 406-220-2122.

## Scholarship Opportunities

### County Scholarships

**Annin Scholarship—Due April 1:** Graduating Senior residing in Stillwater County; enrolled in 4-H or FFA program this year; obtaining some type of training beyond high school (college, trade school, etc.)

**Homemakers Scholarship—Due April 1:** \$1000 awarded during the sophomore year, pending receipt of college transcript and proof of 2nd year enrollment.

**Contact the Extension Office at [stillwater@montana.edu](mailto:stillwater@montana.edu) for application form.**

**The Montana 4-H Foundation Scholarship link is now open! Applications are due April 1st. You can fill out one application to apply for over 23 different Montana 4-H Scholarships.**

**The Montana 4-H scholarship winners will be recognized at Montana 4-H Congress on the MSU campus in July. As a condition of receiving the scholarship, each recipient or their appointee must agree to attend Montana 4-H Congress closing banquet to be recognized.**

**For more information or to start applying visit the link below:**

<http://montana4h.org/programs/grants/scholarships.html>

## SAVE THE DATE

## Make it & Take it Day

Park City Civic Center

## April 9th

Various workshops will be offered including: Woodworking, Arrowhead making, Cake/cookie decorating, and String Art. More workshops and details to come!

## Vinny B. Scholarship Fundraising Event

Last year Jennifer Rando founded a nonprofit charitable organization called Community Event Organization of Stillwater. The purpose of this organization is to raise scholarship funds to be awarded to a Stillwater County, graduating high school senior with a learning disability and/or challenges. The graduating senior does not have to be attending a traditional high school; they can be home schooled. Must have at least a 2.5 GPA. On **April 24** from **11-3** they will be serving up lunch at the Stillwater County Swap and Shop to raise funds towards this scholarship. The goal is to raise \$1,000 or more this year through various fundraisers.

She would like to start giving away this scholarship (Vinny B. Scholarship) each year starting next year with a graduating senior of 2023.

If you would like to show your support, visit the Swap and Shop on April 24th at Columbus High School from 11-3 and buy some lunch!



## Judges Needed

We are recruiting experienced judges for fair 2022, if you know are willing or know someone who we should reach out to, please contact us as soon as possible.



# EASTER FEAST

"TO GO" Style

Served by Stillwater County 4-H Teen Leaders



## MAIN COURSE

Ham, mashed potatoes with gravy,  
baked beans, fruit and rolls

## DESSERT

Pie



**FREE**

**MEAL**

Delivery available  
if needed

## PICK UP

Saturday April 16th 2022

From 11:00-12:30 pm

Chuck Egan Fairgrounds-Pavilion

**\*\*\*\*PLEASE SIGN UP BY APRIL 9TH\*\*\*\***

Contact: Mike Baker 860-7718 or  
Stillwater County Extension Office 322-8035

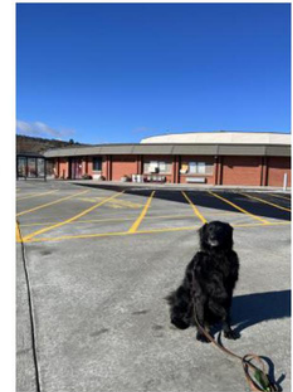
*Thank you to many Stillwater County  
businesses and individuals for their support!*







## **The Beartooth Humane Alliance (BHA)** **Humane Education Program**



Despite the difficulties of educating during covid-19, teachers have once again embraced having Beartooth Humane Alliance in the schools. Jet and BHA education coordinator, Nikki Markle, have visited nearly 400 students in Carbon and Stillwater counties this school year. In accordance with BHA's mission to improve the quality of life for humans and animals, Jet and Nikki are using fun interactive presentations to educate the human side of the equation.

They started their education season in December by visiting schools in Stillwater County and teaching bite prevention through empathy. Students learn to watch for different body cues in their canine companions and are taught that not every dog wants to be petted or should be petted. Through fun games which help them understand body language, kids are also allowed to practice appropriate interactions with dogs by practicing on Jet. They learn to ask permission for petting from both the owner and dog. Students also learn safe one-armed hugs, kiss your hand to kiss your dog, and safe scratches. Jet, a therapy dog who loves children, delights in their new and improved skills.

In January, Jet and Nikki began visiting Carbon County schools and teaching about the true cost of pet ownership. Students brainstorm what things pets need for a wonderful life and are given a monetary budget and decide on their own time budget. We discuss everything from pet identification tags to preventative medical care and students play a budget game. Each student's goal is to be a 5-star pet owner which includes not complaining about picking up poop or cleaning litter boxes, taking time to learn about and train their pets, and having enough money to pay for the everyday things and crazy unexpected things that can happen during our pet's lives. All of the examples in the game come from real life scenarios shared by friends and family for use in the game and help to create a lively discussion.

If you would like Jet and Nikki to visit your school or club, please contact BHA to set up a time. While we visit with many young people in elementary schools, we also love to speak with mature audiences! Jet's incredibly "pettable" coat and Nikki's passion for pets are a welcome addition to any group.



Beartooth Humane Alliance is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that assists the people and animals of Carbon and Stillwater Counties, by helping companion animals in need, promoting responsible animal care through education, providing solutions to dog and cat overpopulation, and serving as an animal welfare resource. For program details and to see adoptable dogs and cats visit [www.beartoothhumane.org](http://www.beartoothhumane.org). For questions, please call 406-446-3500 or email [info@beartoothhumane.org](mailto:info@beartoothhumane.org)

# 4-H Events Calendar

## march

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Shooting Sports 2-4	7	8 Exchange Meeting 6PM	9 Photography Class 5PM	10	11	12
13 Cloverbuds Workshop 2:30-4:30  Spring forward: Daylight savings	14	15	16 Leaders Council 6PM	17 St. Patrick's Day Dog Class	18	19
20 Shooting Sports 2-4	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Teen Leaders 3:00pm	28	29	30	31		

### Save the Date:

April 9th-Make it Take it day



# STATE EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

## Montana 4-H Leadership Academy

**Who:** 4-H members 12+  
**What:** The leadership academy is a network of Montana 4-H members interested in exploring and developing their own leadership skills while serving their county 4-H program in new ways.  
**When:** Sundays from 2:30-3:45pm  
**Where:** Virtual Zoom Meetings, links will be emailed weekly.



## SHOOTING SPORTS INVITATIONALS & POSTALS

**Cascade County Archery & Airgun Postal Match** – Deadline March 4, 2022. Great Falls, February 19, 2022. Contact Allyssa Peak at (406) 454-6980.  
**State 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational** – Bozeman, March 4-6, 2022, Contact Scott Francis – 406-581-6845, scott.francis@montana.edu

**REC LAB  
2022**

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**4-H HIGHWAY 2022  
4-H ROAD TO SUCCESS**



This event is open to 4-H youth and volunteers to enhance their leadership, communication and team building skills in an action packed and interactive setting.

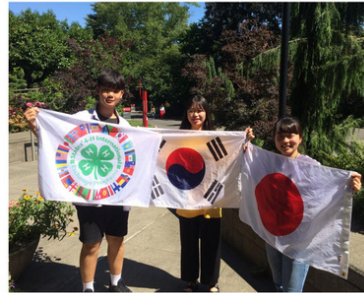
Rec Lab is designed to provide participants with skills for being a better club, camp and community leader. 37 different workshops will be offered including: Zumba, Jerky Making, Leathercraft, Mindfulness, Knitting, Team building, technology and more.

Rec Lab will be hosted by District 3 in Hobson on **March 18-20 2022**. Youth participants must be 13+ as of October 1, 2021 and Adult chaperones must be at least 21 years of age.

**\$75.00 Registration Fee Feb. 1 to Feb. 28**  
**\$125.00 Registration Fee. March 1 to March 7**

**Registration includes lodging, snacks, meals, t-shirts, workshops (some workshops have a small additional fee), and exciting speakers.**

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RICHNESS  
OF THE  
WORLD  
TO YOUR  
HOME!**



“From a delegate about her host family experience: They helped a lot and treated me like their real daughter. Our biggest problem was that I don't want to go and they don't want me to go!”

### Program Basics:

States' 4-H places students from **Japan and South Korea** through the Academic Year Program.

Students stay with host families and are enrolled in a public high school for a full academic year

### Who can apply:

Anyone who wants to welcome a high school student into their family and is able to provide the student meals and a bed.  
No host siblings are necessary

### Program Details:

- Host for one academic year (August– June)
- Arrival and departure orientations arranged by States' 4-H
- Your family and exchange student will be supported by local and state coordinators.

### How to apply:

Contact your **State Coordinator** to learn more!  
Dave Brink  
MT 4-H IEP State Coordinator  
P.O. Box 730  
Superior, MT 59872  
406.822.3545  
david.brink@montana.edu

**HOST FAMILY APPLICATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED NOW!**

# 4-H Camp Application

June 7-10<sup>th</sup> 2022 at the Beartooth Mountain Christian Ranch, SW of Columbus  
Return all THREE completed pages AND payment by May 6 at 5:00 pm (not postmarked by)

Campers are 4-H members age 13 years or younger on the first day of camp: June 7. Cloverbuds may NOT attend camp. Campers must be enrolled in the 2021-22 4-H year as a member (not a Cloverbud) in Yellowstone County. Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis-space is limited. 4-H Members from Carbon and Stillwater counties also attend. A letter regarding camp specific (what to pack/bring, bus pick-up/drop off times, etc.) will be mailed to each camper a week prior to camp.

**Camp Fee: \$165 per camper without a scholarship request letter OR \$100 with a scholarship request letter.** Make checks payable to: Yellowstone County 4-H Council. Payment must be included with application! **Please note:** The Yellowstone 4-H Council pays an additional \$160 per camper to cover all camp costs.

**Interested in a partial scholarship?** The 4-H member must write a short letter explaining why they feel they should be awarded a partial scholarship and include it with the application and payment.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Male: \_\_\_\_\_ OR Female: \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size (circle) Adult: S M Lg XLg Youth: S M Lg

Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Your age as of June 7, 2022: \_\_\_\_\_ Family email: \_\_\_\_\_

List **ONE** person you would like for a roommate: \_\_\_\_\_

Bus transportation provided. Please indicate the pickup/drop off location of child taking the bus to camp:

Billings\_\_ OR Laurel\_\_ Parents may drive their child to/from camp by contacting Roni Baker in advance.

## **4-H ACTIVITY and HEALTH AGREEMENT**

(Complete **ALL** fields. Indicate "N/A" if not applicable)

Family Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy/Group #: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell number parent can be reached at in case of an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

Person to contact if family cannot be reached: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Person(s) other than named above, to whom the camp may release the child upon request: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Has your child been away from home overnight before? Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_

2. Does your child have any known allergic reactions? (List: food, medicine, plants, or insect allergies) \_\_\_\_\_

3. What kinds of situations might cause your child distress? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Does your child wear Medic-Alert Tags? Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_ Where is it worn? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Mark any of these supervised activities for which the camper is **NOT** allowed to participate:

Horseback riding	___	Swimming	___	Climbing wall	___	Other:	_____
Zip Line	___	Archery	___	Backpacking	___		
Workshops	___	Pellet guns	___	Ropes course	___		



Has child had swimming lessons? Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_

6. Is your child is subject to any of the following conditions:

Abdominal Pain	___	Ear/Sinus trouble	___	Heart trouble	___	Other: _____
Asthma	___	Epilepsy	___	Nose bleeds	___	
Bed wetting	___	Fainting	___	Sleep walking	___	
Cramps	___	Hay fever	___	Tonsillitis	___	
Diabetes	___	Headaches	___			

Describe child's reactions or other information we should know (e.g., disabilities):\_\_\_\_\_

7. Tetanus shot current: Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_

8. List any chronic illness or other condition for which your child needs treatment. (Explanation required - This is for a physician who might need to treat your child in case of illness or injury or for the insurance company.)\_\_\_\_\_

9. Is there any further information that would help professionals and volunteers better serve your child?\_\_\_\_\_

10. Please list child's "regularly scheduled" AND "as needed" medications and send with child in **Original Rx Bottles**.

All medications will be required to be turned into the camp nurse upon arrival at camp.

Medication Name	Dose	Reason for taking	When to take	Oral, Nasal, Injection

*If your child has **SEVERE ASTHMA ATTACKS**, please consult with you primary Physician, and explain to them camp is 1 hour away from the nearest Emergency Room and at a higher elevation! Ask for a prescription for an EpiPen and send it with the child to camp. If your child has **BEE ALLERGIES** an EpiPen is also required.*

Does your child have **Asthma**? Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_ If yes, when was their last asthma attack?\_\_\_\_\_

How many asthma attacks in the last 6 months?\_\_\_\_\_

How bad are the asthma attacks?

- Mild, no treatment other than inhaler required:\_\_\_
- Moderate, required Nebulizer at home only:\_\_\_
- Severe, required a trip to the Physician or Emergency Room:\_\_\_

**If your child uses a Nebulizer Machine, it must be sent to camp with the child. This is not optional.** They must have their machine and medications with them including Albuterol and emergency and inhalers. In recent years we have had life-threatening asthma situations at camp. Campers cannot stay at camp without medications they may need.

Does your child have **Diabetes**? Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_ If yes, how well do they manage this?\_\_\_\_\_

Do they monitor blood sugars and if so, how often?\_\_\_\_\_

Do they have an Insulin Pump, or do they use injections?\_\_\_\_\_

Is your child allowed to eat sweets? Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_

What is your child's normal range of their blood sugar?\_\_\_\_\_

How often does it drop below this range?\_\_\_\_\_ How often does in jump above this range?\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had to use Glucagon to bring your child's Blood Sugar up? Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_

**Authorization to Treat**

I \_\_\_\_\_ being the parent or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ affirm that this form is complete and accurate to my knowledge and grant permission for her/him to participate in the

Yellowstone/Stillwater/Carbon County 4-H Camp. I will not hold the sponsoring organization or host facility or their representatives responsible in case of an accident.

I give permission for the Camp Nurse/MSU Extension Agent to administer simple medications such as aspirin, Tylenol, Pepto Bismol, cough syrup, etc., to my child if they are not allergic to medication. In case of a medical emergency, if I cannot be reached, I give permission for a physician to be contacted. If I cannot be reached, I give permission for the attending physician to treat them in an emergency situation. I know the plans of the trip, including the dates, who will chaperoning the group, the mode of travel, where the group will stay, and the planned activities. My child agrees to abide by the rules of no use or possession of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, cigarettes, vaping, knives, guns, or any other items that could be considered a weapon. My child also agrees to abide by the curfew and other rules established. Violations of these rules will result in a parent picking up the 4-H member or financing transportation home immediately.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

The Montana State University Extension is an ADA/EO/AA/Veteran's Preference Employer and Provider of Educational Outreach. Montana State University Extension encourages persons with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of special accommodations or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact the Extension Office at 406-256-2828 in advance of your participation.

#### **4-H Camper Code of Conduct**

1. Have fun and be safe! Participate in all activities! Be on time!
2. Wear your name tag (except when sleeping, swimming, or showering)!
3. Drink water regularly (just not from the streams)!
4. Stay on the premises!
5. If you feel sick or get hurt, tell a camp nurse or an adult!
6. Girls only in girls' cabins. Boys only in boys' cabins!
7. Wear and bring appropriate clothing for all kinds of weather. Letter tells you what to bring. One-piece swimsuit or t-shirt over 2-piece swimsuit; hat off in dining room; coats for snow; raingear; shoes on when walking outside.
8. Keep cabin areas and campgrounds clean at all times. Cabins will be inspected daily. Clean cabins will be first in line for lunch and dinner. Dirty cabins will clean the public restrooms.
9. Each cabin will have certain responsibilities assigned to them at some time during camp. **EVERYONE** in that cabin needs to be there to help. Schedules are posted in the cabins and in the dining hall.
10. Telephones are to be used **ONLY** in case of emergency.
11. The ringing of the bell means to come right away or move to your next activity. If the bell rings when you are in your cabin day or night—go **IMMEDIATELY** to the bell.
12. **NO:** Fireworks! Foul language! Alcohol! Illegal drugs! Tobacco of any kind! Items that could cause harm to other campers!
13. Have a counselor, CIT, or adult with you to go into a cabin.
14. During quiet time/sleeping time, remember to be quiet for sleeping and for being good cabin neighbors!
15. Follow the direction of camp leaders. Respect the property and rights of the camp, other campers, counselors, CITs, and adults at all times.
16. If riding the bus to/from camp, I agree to check in when I get on the bus and check out when I depart the bus with the county agent.

I agree to follow the Camper Code of Conduct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Camper)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)



# STILLWATER COUNTY 4-H CLUBS AND LEADERS

Club Name	Organizational Leader	Contact Information	Meeting Date/time	Location
Beartooth Ramblers	Tammi Kirch	(406) 855-3839 tmkirch@hotmail.com	1st Monday 6:00PM	Call for Location
Broadview Homesteaders	Dana Jansen	(406) 667-2116 (406)788-2159 danadale31@gmail.com	1st Tuesday 7:00PM	Broadview Community Center
Johnny's Buckaroos	Melissa Kramer	(406) 780-0575 mak.kramer1@gmail.com	1st Sunday Call for time	Stillwater County Pavilion
Molt Happy Helpers	Kris Krieger	(406) 860-9842 kkrieger1@hotmail.com	1st Sunday 1:00PM	Molt School
Park City Wranglers	Reita Reiter Nicole Hess	(406) 860-9754 kevinreita@yahoo.com (406) 633-2097 hesscowboy@yahoo.com	2nd Monday 6:30PM	Park City Civic Center
Rapeljacks & Jills	Jessica Yorke	(406) 663-2262 jessicayorke37@gmail.com	1st Saturday 9:00AM	Rapelje School Shop Classroom
Spring Creek Stockgrowers	Beth Pelton	(406) 321-2817 bethclanton@hotmail.com	1st Sunday 4:00PM	Spring Creek Community Center
Stillwater Ranch Hands	Finis Sandlin	(406) 328-6277 sandlin_5@nemont.net	1st Monday 6:30PM	Nye Fire Hall
Stillwater Ridge Riders	Wendy Reed	(406) 321-1369 nascarfamil99@yahoo.com	1st Thursday 6:30PM	Columbus Evangelical Church

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