

Gallatin County 4-H Leaflet

October 2011

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 17	Swine Carcass Mtg, Belg High School, 6:30
Oct 17	Teen Mtg, Belgrade Middle School, 6:30
Oct ???	Teen Retreat — Date to be determined
Oct 23	Beef Selection Workshop, Storey Hereford, 2:00 pm
Oct 24	Cloverbuds, Belgrade Middle School, 6:30
Oct 25	Market Sale Committee Meeting, Belgrade Middle School, 5:45
Oct 27	Gallatin 4-H Foundation, Mackenzie River Pizza Belgrade, 6:30
Nov 1	4-H Awards Night, Fairgrounds Building 4, Dinner 6:00
Nov 8	Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council, Mackenzie River, 6:30
Nov 6	Working Ranch/Ranch Horse, Circle L, 9:00 am
Nov 10	Swine Project Planning Meeting, Valley Bank of Belgrade, 6:30
Nov 11	4-H and Extension Office closed for Veteran's Day
Nov 14	Family Orientation Night, Belgrade Middle School, 6:30
Jan 7, 2012	Bar J Wranglers 4-H Fundraising Concert, Willson Auditorium,



Gallatin County 4-H Contest Results!

Amanda Stump, won \$50 from the Unlimited Leaders Council for her creative design for a Gallatin County 4-H flag.

The winner, Cyndi Suhr, received a free 4-H Membership Enrollment for her winning newsletter name.

Congratulations to our winners and many thanks to them for their efforts!

ATTENTION ALL MARKET LIVESTOCK PROJECT MEMBERS

Some new rule proposals were submitted at the September 19, 2011 meeting of the Market Sale Committee, ("MSC"). These rules, plus any other rules proposed, shall be discussed at the next meeting of the MSC on October 25, 2011 at the **Belgrade Middle School Cafeteria, Belgrade, Montana at 5:45 p.m.** [See page 5 for more details.](#)

Important**Information About Shooting Sports Enrollments**

4-H members must be at least 9 years old as of October 1, 2011 in order to enroll in any shooting sports project. This includes air rifle, air pistol, archery, and small bore. If you have any questions, please call the 4-H office.

4-H Shooting Sports Leader Planning Meeting

All shooting sports leaders or interested parents please attend the October 18th planning meeting at Rocky Mountain Supply at 6:30.

4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training

Idaho will be offering a 4-H Shooting Sports training in rifle on November 4th. Since Montana and Idaho have a reciprocal training agreement, Idaho's training will fully certify leaders within the Montana program. The training will take place in Emmett, ID at the Gem County Fairgrounds which is northwest of Boise. Unfortunately the turnaround time is short with a deadline of October 14th. Contact the Extension Office for the registration form.

Youth Enrollments for the 2011-2012 4-H Year

Enrollment packets are available at the 4-H office for pick up — the deadline to re-enroll without late fees is October 31st. Regular enrollment fees are \$20 per member ages 9-18 plus a non-refundable \$1.00 per project materials fee, maximum enrollment fee of \$50 per family plus project material fees. Cloverbud members, ages 6- 8, are \$10. We are once again offering a newsletter **subscription fee** for the 4-H newsletter beginning this year. This \$15.00 fee will cover the cost of printing and mailing your newsletter for the entire year. Families choosing to subscribe to the printed newsletter need only pay one \$15.00 fee per family. There will be no fee charged if you choose to **receive the newsletter electronically**. You may pick up your enrollment forms and Clovers at the Gallatin County 4-H office or online at ww.gallatinextension.com. If you have any questions call us at 388- 3213.

Needed - Leaders Council Members

The 4-H Leaders Council is a group of volunteers who set the policy and guidelines for 4-H in Gallatin County. The council meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the meeting room at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. New Council member elections will take place at the Awards Banquet in October. If you or anyone you know is interested in serving on this board, please call the 4-H office at 388-3213. The Unlimited Leaders Council will have various positions open for the 2011-2012 4-H year. Please consider running for one. Come see how you can become a part of this wonderful group of volunteers.

Volunteer/Leader Enrollments for the 2010-2011 4-H Year

Volunteer/Leader enrollment fees are once again only \$5.00. All new volunteer/leaders, per Montana 4-H Center for Youth Development policies, will be required to complete a criminal background and a name check against the Montana Sexual and Violent Offenders Registry. All current approved volunteers will be required to fill out a personal background information form. Forms are available online at www.gallatinextension.com or at the 4-H office.

Wanted - State Horse Committee Member

District 6 is looking for one adult and one teen to serve on the Montana 4-H State Horse Committee. Gallatin County is in District 6. Adult terms are 3 years and may be repeated once. Teen members (14 - 19, 4-H age) serve year by year and can repeat throughout their time in 4-H. If you are interested, please contact the Extension Office for the application form.

Montana 4-H Rec Lab 2012 Request for Workshop Proposals

"100 Years of Green" **When: March 16-18, 2012** **Where: Lewistown, MT.**
Rec Lab provides an opportunity for youth and adults to enhance their leadership, communication, and team building skills in an action packed and interactive setting. Rec Lab programming is designed to provide participants with tips and tricks for being a better club, camp and community leader. District 3 4-H leaders and members are actively planning Rec Lab, and are looking for workshop proposals to fill out this exciting event. Please consider proposing a workshop for inclusion in this event. Please contact the 4-H office if you are interested.

Leader Award Form

Awards– What are some of the awards I can nominate by leader for? 4-H Leader of the Year, Outstanding 4-H Club Leader, Outstanding 4-H Project Leader, Outstanding 4-H Leaders Council Member, Outstanding 4-H Foundation Board Member, New Project Recognition Award, Outstanding 4-H Alumni Award, Partner In 4-H Award, Lifetime 4-H Achievement Award

Leader Nominated: _____ **Date:** _____

Award Nominated For: _____

Club: _____

Please describe why you believe the leader named above is deserving of a County 4-H Award.

Briefly describe the leader’s involvement in the project, workshop, or any other activities pertaining to this award.

Please submit this award application to the Gallatin County MSU Extension Office on or before Monday, October 19th.

We need your help deciding who gets awards...

Please consider joining the Recognition Committee for their annual Record Book Review and Award Selections meeting. We will be meeting at the Extension Office on Wednesday, October 19th at 5pm. Dinner will be provided. Please contact Danica by October 17th if you are willing to assist with this process. 388-3213.

Important Record Book and Awards Information

MEMBERS: Your **record books and curriculum books** are due to your CLUB LEADER OR PROJECT LEADER for review. They will view them for completion and sign off on them and attach a gold seal. Please give your leaders enough time to review your record books before the final Turn-Into-The-4-H-Office Deadline of October 14th. Contact your leader to find out when they need them or give it to them by Sept. 30th. Don't forget to fill in your fair activities.

CLUB LEADERS & PROJECT LEADERS: Please review record books and curriculum books from your 4-H members and attach a gold seal (available at the office) if the record book is complete. If youth have completed an Awards Checklist, please turn it in with the 4-H member's record book, curriculum book and other award checklist materials to the office by **October 14th, 5pm.**

Member Awards: Project Award Winner. 4-H members may apply for awards in all project areas they worked on throughout the past 4-H year by completing an Awards Checklist (www.gallatinextension.com) and turning it in with their completed record book and curriculum books—first to their 4-H Club or Project Leader and then to the 4-H office by **October 14th, 5pm.**

Outstanding 4-H Club Member of the Year Award & Outstanding 4-H Member of the Year Award: 4-H Members may also apply for two special awards: 4-H Member of the Year and 4-H Club Member of the Year (each receive a monetary award of \$300) by completing the 4-H Achievement Journal also found on our website, **due Oct. 14th, 5pm.**

Nominate Your Wonderful Dedicated Club and Project Leader for special recognition award. Leader/Volunteer Award nominations must be in the 4-H office on or before **October 14th, 5pm.** The Recognition Committee will meet and make final decisions.

All awards will be announced at the **Awards Night banquet to be held on November 1st, 6pm at the Fairgrounds, Exhibit Bldg. #4.**

Gallatin County 4-H Awards Night

We would like to invite you to our awards recognition banquet as we acknowledge our outstanding 4-H members and leaders.

When: Tuesday, November 1st

Where: Building #4 at the Fairgrounds

What Time: 6:00 Dinner, 6:30 Awards

Pre-register, call 388-3213 by October 28, 2011

Potluck this year (no cost), 4-H will provide plates, silverware, cups and drinks

We would also like to encourage a non-perishable donation for the food bank.

Each Family please bring a main dish (with a serving spoon) along with the following:

Families with last name starting with A-L: please bring a dessert or bread (with serving utensil)

Families with last name starting with M-Z: please bring a salad or side dish (with serving utensil)

ATTENTION ALL CLUBS & FAMILIES WE ARE LOOKING FOR HELP. We need 4 types of volunteer help in the following areas. Please RSVP to the 4-H office at 388-3213.

1. Set-up exhibit building #4, tables & chairs from 4:00-6:00 p.m.
2. Decorate exhibit building with the "Celebrating 100 years of 4-H in Montana" theme, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
3. Set-up food, 5:00-6:00 p.m.
4. Clean up after the banquet, 8:00-9:00 p.m.

PROPOSED 2012 FAIRBOOK RULES (pertaining to Market Livestock Animal Projects)

The following rules proposals were submitted at the September 19, 2011 meeting of the Market Sale Committee, ("MSC"). These rules, plus any other rules proposed, shall be discussed at the next meeting of the MSC on October 25, 2011 at the **Belgrade Middle School Cafeteria, Belgrade, Montana at 5:45 p.m.**

Please note that you must be present at either the September 19 meeting or the October 25 meeting when the proposals are discussed in order to be allowed to vote on the proposals at the November 29 meeting.

1. Re-Sale Animals. It will be the responsibility of the MSC to secure a buyer for the re-sale animals before the sale. The MSC shall seek bids from several sources before securing a buyer. The bid price secured for the animals shall be the stated resale price at the sale.
2. Per Head Sale. All animals selling at the market sale shall be sold by the head and not by the pound.
3. Add-On Contributions. The MSC shall allow and administer "add-on" contributions to market project members. For example, a person wants to donate \$100.00 to a child, but doesn't want to buy an entire animal, they can donate the money to that child before the sale and the money will then be added on to the child's sale proceed check.
4. Dress Code. Any member taking an animal through the sale shall be dressed in a white shirt and dark jeans, with close toed shoes. Ties are optional and there is an exception for dairy or any other species that historically shows in white clothing.
5. Number of Animals for Sale. Each market project member shall be allowed to sell up to two animals at the sale but only one of each species. For example, a member can take a steer and a pig but not two steers or two pigs.
6. Number of Animals for Sale. Each market project member shall be allowed to take one steer or two pigs or lambs, if there is less than 51 total animals in the project, to be determined by each species. Each species shall be limited to 100 animals for the sale.
7. Number of Animals for Sale. The members in the rabbit or poultry projects shall be allowed to take two pens of rabbits or poultry and also 2 large animal units.
8. Exhibitor Numbers. Each market project member shall be assigned a number at the beginning of the fair and shall wear the number throughout the week and during the sale.
9. Setting Standards. Each species shall adopt the market standard for the weight and size of their animals and each animal shall meet those standards before being allowed to sell at the sale.

Patriot's Pen Essay Competition

Conducted nationwide, this VFW sponsored youth essay competition gives students an opportunity to write essays expressing their views on democracy with the prospect of winning U.S. savings bonds. We invite you to join the more than 112,000 students who participated last year in this contest. The top 46 national winners all receive at least a \$1,000 savings bond. The first-place award is currently a \$10,000 savings bond plus an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. for the winner and a parent or guardian. The Patriot's Pen program is open to students in grades 6-8, who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the United States and its territories.

HOW TO ENTER: Students should first ask a teacher or youth group leader to supervise their progress in the competition. Then the student should contact a local participating VFW Post and establish a contact person who is a member of that Post or its Ladies Auxiliary.

Next, it's time to start drafting considering the 2011-2012 theme: **"Are You Proud of Your Country?"** Essays must be no less than 300 words and should not exceed 400 words and should be submitted to the Post, along with the completed Patriot's Pen entry form no later than November 1, 2011. Entry form can be found at <http://www.vfw.org/Community/Patriot-s-Pen/>

If you would like more local information you can contact Jack Neergaard at 587-3225 between 8 AM and 5 PM.

Cloverbuds - What's Bugging You?

Creepy and crawlies is what we will be exploring. Come join us as we explore the Entomology Project. We will be meeting on October 24 at 6:30 at the Belgrade Middle School cafeteria. Questions - call Cyndi at 388-3213.

Beef Project

A Beef Selection Workshop will be held on October 23rd at 2pm at Storey Herefords Ranch with Chuck Kolhbeck. Contact Beef Project Leader Amber Bates at 570-2205 if you have questions.

Next month: We will hold a workshop about halter breaking, feed and general information for your project. Watch for more details next month.

Horse

Gallatin County 4-H Horse Committee Update

We had wonderful attendance at the October 5, 2011 Horse Committee meeting bringing a new burst of energy and commitment to the project for this upcoming year.

Many, many thanks to the outgoing Horse Committee Leaders for all their time and dedication: Leasa Stratton, Renae Cline, Brad Cline, Scott Reinier, and Mike Pratt. We are fortunate to have Deb Gee and Krystal Shyne bridge the 'gap' between last year and this year. New members joining them are: Lisa Black, Anne Butcher, Diann Calvin, Elizabeth Edwards, Brandie Elfland, Jeff Green, and Jess Woodring. Kristin and Scott Schuster are going to run the Ranch Horse Project. All Horse Members and their families are invited to attend Horse Committee meetings.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 2nd at 6pm at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade.

Starting on Tuesday, December 6th, all HC meetings will be held on the first TUESDAY of each month at 6pm at Jeff Green's office (from 19th Ave in Bozeman, turn directly west – across from the Law and Justice Center – onto Dickerson. 1940 Dickerson, Suite 207.)

If you have questions about the Horse project or the Horse Committee, please contact Deb Gee at deborah.gee@montana.edu or paintedpony4916@yahoo.com or call her at 406.570.3387 (cell)

WORKING RANCH HORSE CLINIC : Scott Schuster is the new leader this year for the working ranch horse project. He will be the instructor at this clinic. Scott is experienced both with ranch horse work and ranch roping.

- **When:** Sunday November 6th at 9:00 a.m. (don't forget to change your clocks Sat. night!)
- **Where:** Circle L Arena
- **Who:** 4-H members interested in the Working Ranch Horse program (all levels) *This will count toward one of your clinics. You need to be enrolled/reenrolled for the 2011-2012 4-H year by October 31. Parents are welcome to participate also. Ranch Horse/Working Ranch Horse members are encouraged to attend this workshop.
- **Cost:** \$15 per person for the day to cover cost of the arena and cattle.
- **What:** We will cover safety on the ranch, what the horse and rider need to do to be ready to go to work, basic ranch horsemanship, handling a rope, getting you horse used to a rope, roping shots from the ground, quietly working cattle, roping from a horse (only for those who have proved themselves ready).
- **What to bring:** a rope (with a breakaway if you have one), your horse and tack. We will have some extra ropes for those who don't have any.

RSVP to Scott at ranchroper713@gmail.com by October 31. (If you already called, please email to this address so we can keep track of who is coming.) Email or call Scott 580-8331 with any questions.

Backcountry Packing Clinic

The Gallatin Valley Back Country Horsemen have developed an impressive clinic carefully detailing all aspects of organizing and safely conducting a pack trip in the backcountry. The Backcountry Adventure Clinic is a series of four workshops beginning on December 3rd and continuing on March 31st, April 28th, and May 13th. For a complete schedule including a registration section, contact the Extension Office. The cost is only \$20 for the entire series and the student capacity is 50 participants. Questions can be directed to Clark Kinney at 406-599-4430.

Halloween Play Day

The Gallatin Saddle & Harness Club (GSHC) is sponsoring a Halloween Play Day on Saturday, October 29th. Call 586-2885 or 581-8371 for class information and lists. Visit www.gallatinsaddleandharnessclub.com for updated information.

Photography

This month your assignment is to take flash pictures at night! Halloween...hmmm!

November's meeting will be to tour the Bozeman Chronicle. The date will be announced in the November newsletter.

I am always looking for fun ideas for meetings, so please share any ideas that you have or places that you would like to explore!! Please call, text or email any questions or ideas! Kathy at 581-8763 or dokainc@bresnan.net

Robotics:

I hope you are as *charged* up as I am to kick off another exciting year of robotics! Prepare to burn some volts and amps as you learn to build and program your robot to perform fun and exciting challenges! We are now in our fifth year and we have it all figured out...kind of! Once again we are offering two levels to choose from:

First year robotics. New to Lego Mindstorms NXT and programming? This is the class for you! We will teach you everything you need to know to become a real "bot builder".

Second year robotics. Sign up for this class if you have already participated in first year robotics class. If you have already taken second year robotics and want more, take it again! We keep the second year robotics fresh by bringing in new challenges each year built out of the Lego Mindstorms NXT including graphing and data recording.

Competition: Put your robot building/programming skills to the test and compete in this year's First Lego League Tournament in February. Last year was our county's first year entering the tournament and both teams walked away WINNERS! This year we will offer an all girls team and an all boys team for FLL open to anyone that has already completed first year robotics (and as space is available). We will also offer one First Tech Challenge team open to anyone that has completed a first and second year robotics.

This program is intended for 4-H members ages 9 and up. Please sign up before the first class on October 27th. For up-to-date progress of our robotics program and a copy of this schedule, please visit our robotics web site at www.gallatin4Hrobotics.org.

Cloverbuds - are you interested in Robotics? Call the 4-H office at 388-3213. If there is enough interest and we can find a volunteer to help lead this, we might be able to offer Robotics for Cloverbuds.

Gallatin County 4-H Robotics
2011-2012 Schedule

First Year Robotics	Second Year Robotics	
October 27, 2011	November 3, 2011	
November 10, 2011	November 17, 2011	
December 1, 2011	December 8, 2011	
December 15, 2011	TBD	
January 5, 2012	January 12, 2012	
January 19, 2012	January 26, 2012	
February 16, 2012	February 23, 2012	
March 1, 2012	March 8, 2012	
Spring Break! March 29, 2012	Spring Break!	1st + 2nd Year Together for Fair Project
April 5, 2012	Spring Break!	
April 12, 2012	Spring Break!	
April 19, 2012	Spring Break!	
April 26, 2012		
Meet at Belgrade Middle School Cafeteria 6:30-8:00pm		

Swine Project Planning Meeting

Another swine project planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 10th at 6:30pm at the Valley Bank of Belgrade. We'd love to have your input on swine education, project requirements, swine fair-related ideas, etc. If this date does not work for you, but you would like to be involved, please email Sandy and Danica at the above email addresses so we can get your input beforehand.

Swine Carcass Evaluation Meeting

All 2010-2011 swine project members are invited to examine the results of the 2011 swine carcass competition **on Monday, October 17th at 6:30pm at the Belgrade High School Cafeteria.** A slide show of photos and data will be presented. At this meeting you will discover who won the swine carcass contest! The top 6 carcass contest winners must be present at this meeting in order to be eligible to receive their award. If one or more of the top 6 winners are not in attendance, the prize goes to the next in line. Only major conflicts will be excused as approved exceptions **and must be excused in advance** by calling Sandy Bryant at 388-6900 or Danica at 388-3213 and emailing us at bryant-gang@peoplepc.com and djamison@montana.edu

4-H Teens

Teens will have a Teen Retreat planning meeting on Monday, October 17th at 6:30pm at the Belgrade Middle School Cafeteria. We welcome all teens. We will be finished by 8:00/8:15pm. Contact Danica at djamison@montana.edu or Gregg at greggswitzer@bridgeband.com or call the 4-H office at 388-3213 if you have any questions. Check out www.4hteens.org

4-H Teen Retreat

We're heading to Yellowstone for this year's Teen Retreat for certain...but we're re-thinking the dates because so many teens have a conflict on Thursday-Friday, October 20-21st. If you're already on the Teen Leadership Email list, please check your email for regular updates. All 4-H teens are welcome to join this retreat—we will be biking, touring Yellowstone, hiking, soaking in the Boiling River, having a campfire, staying in a Yellowstone dormitory, cooking/eating great food, and making wonderful friends!

If you would like to attend, please email Beker at bekercuelho@gmail.com as soon as possible or call the 4-H Office at 388-3213 and let us know which of the following dates work best for you: Oct. 20-21 or 21-22 or 22-23 or 29-30. Check out www.4hteens.org

International Opportunities

Deadline for application to ALL Outbound programs is January 1, 2012: Argentina, Australia, Costa Rica, Japan, Finland, Norway or IFYE. Delegate and chaperone applications can be found on the website at www.montana4h.org. Please contact Stephanie Davison at 994-3502 with questions.

Citizenship Washington Focus applications due January 1, 2012! See www.montana4h.org for more information. Please contact Stephanie Davison at 994-3502 with questions.

National Center for Women & Information Technology Award for Aspirations in Computing

Calling all Digital Divas, Web Chix, and Coder Girls! NCWIT seeks high-school-level young women to apply for the NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing! The NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing honors young women active and interested in computing and encourages them to pursue their passion for technology. Winners get cool prizes, gadgets, and scholarships, and can join a community of like-minded technical women. National award-winners are selected from across the country and Affiliate Award competitions are available in more than 30 regions nationwide. All girls at all computing levels are encouraged to apply—we'd like to recognize aspirations, not just accomplishments!

National award-winners receive:

- * \$500 in cash
- * A laptop computer
- * An engraved award (for both the student and her school)
- * An expenses-paid trip to the national Award ceremony (for the student and her parent/guardian) on March 10, 2012

Affiliate Award will vary by state. Visit www.ncwit.org/award for details on Affiliate competitions. Competition for the 2012 NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing is open to any U.S. high-school-level female (grades 9-12). Applications will be accepted beginning September 15, 2011, and must be submitted online at www.ncwit.org/award no later than 11:59 PM ET on October 31, 2011.

Eagle Mount Mustangs – Horseless Horse

Welcome back to a new 4-H Year. We look forward to seeing you all again and welcoming our new members in 2011-2012.

The first meeting of the Eagle Mount Mustangs 4-H Club will be held on Monday, October 24th and 6:30 p.m. in the Eagle Mount meeting room. We will introduce ourselves, pass out books to those needing one, look over the plan for the year, and discuss changes in our club. This organizational meeting should not be a long one, but your presence helps us prepare for the 4-H year ahead. Please plan to attend.

**Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting
Mackenzie River Pizza
September 13, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Scott Francis. Following the pledges to the flags, roll call was taken. Members present were Scott Francis, Ginny Francis, Scarlett Wirtz, Laura Lee Harvey, Lola Brogger, Kathy Cheney and Danica Jamison (ex-officio). Guests present were Sonia Berg and Becker Cuehlo.

Public comment: Sonja wants to give a BIG thank you to all of the volunteers that worked so hard for our kids this past 4-H year!

Guest presentations: Becker Cuehlo made a request on behalf of the Teen Leaders, that the Council consider paying Greg Switzer \$1000 for all of the hard work he put in as 4-H Camp Director.

Minutes: Were approved with changes. Lola questioned the wording and description of the MSU/Gallatin County Extension account that is used by Danica and other Extension staff for grants. Lola requested that the minutes reflect that Danica will bring a report to ULC each month "that shows all income and expenses related to 4-H for the MSU Gallatin Extension account." Also, "Summer camp is being finalized" will be changed to "summer camp plans are being finalized". Finally, an additional \$45 will be added to the \$100 each leader will receive towards registration and/or room fee at the Montana Leadership Forum. The \$45 is a donation by the Gallatin County 4-H Foundation.

Correspondence: was shared

Treasurer and Bookkeeper's reports: Both reports were approved for August. Lola reported that the Market Sale committee has combined their 2 CDs into 1. A motion passed to zero out the Willow Creek Classic side account by moving money out of Donations.

Committees:

- The Budget Committee will meet October 4, at 6:30 pm at Rocky Mountain Supply in Belgrade to finalize the proposed budget for the 2011-2012 4-H year.
- The Policies and Procedures Committee meeting will be announced.
- The Copper Springs Ranch is showing interest in getting more involved with the Horse and Shooting Sports programs.
- The Teen Leadership Program chose their new chairs and sofas for the 2012 summer camp and they are looking into formalizing their club.
- A motion was passed to send 2 Ambassadors and 1 Chaperone to Ambassador Fall Training in October at Fairmont Hot Springs. The Council will cover registration for the 2 Ambassadors from Member Development. The chaperone's costs will come from Leader Development, with an additional \$72 approved so the chaperone will only have to share a room with 1 other chaperone.
- Scott reported that the Bar J Wranglers concert is scheduled for January 7, 2012. Planning for that great fundraiser is right on track. The Council once again approved \$50 and \$100 incentives for the member and club, respectively, who sell the most concert tickets. A meet and greet with the musicians is being considered also for those winners. The money for the incentives will come out of the Bar J Wranglers expense account.

Old Business:

- **2011 State Leadership Forum update:** Promote more leaders and teens to sign up before the September 16 deadline. Help is needed to inventory all of the items that were generously donated for the Leadership Forum silent auction.
- **Bylaws Change:** Adoption of bylaws was passed with small changes. Under the article addressing document retention and destruction, bank records will be required to be retained for 7 years, changed from a 3 year requirement. Minutes retention will be permanent, changed from a period of 3 years.
- **Cotton candy machine rental policy:** Kathy will find the rental policy in old secretary reports and report her findings to the Council at the October meeting.
- **4-H Flag:** Approval was given for Danica to spend up to \$80 on a 4-H flag for our county. The flag will be paid for with funds from Program Development.

New Business:

- **GEN update/year-end paperwork and charters:** Our deadline with the state has been met! November 1 is the deadline for all club's financial reports.
- **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):** Was approved with a change showing "Gallatin" County Extension Office, and a notation that the MOU can be changed yearly.
- **Update bank signers:** Signers for ULC bank accounts will be updated in November with the election of new officers.
- **Awards Night:** Will be held November 1 at 6pm, location to be announced. Record books are due to the county office by October 14. The selection committee will meet October 17 at 5pm at the county office. Any leaders in Gallatin County are welcome to be part of the selection committee.
- **Orientation Night:** Will be held November 14 at 6pm. Location to be announced.
- **Volunteer and youth officer training:** Will be moved to January. We will try to coordinate a training with Lewis and Clark County.
- **State 4-H Horse Show:** ULC will make a \$100 contribution to the state horse show with the money coming from the concessions account.
- **National 4-H Week:** Is the week of October 4-7. The theme is "Join the Revolution of Responsibility". Window displays will be judged and the winning club will receive a \$25 prize. Prize money will come from the concessions account.
- **Diabetes Fundraiser:** Is looking for volunteers for Saturday, September 17 from 10:45-1pm in Three Forks.
- **Longie Benefit:** Needs volunteers on Sunday, September 18 from 4-7pm at the Belgrade Special Events Center.
- **Fairgrounds/4-H building cleanup:** The fairgrounds will be cleaning out one of the buildings that holds past 4-H records and memorabilia. All 4-H volunteers are welcome to come and go through the records, September 20 at the fairgrounds.
- **Bogert Farmers Market:** Volunteers are needed for the 4-H booth on Tuesday, September 27.
- **Recruit new ULC members:** New members are needed!! All adult volunteers are welcome!!!
- **Camp director stipend:** The request for payment of \$1000.00 to Greg Switzer as camp director, will be tabled until the October meeting, due to the late hour of this meeting.

October 2011

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www.gallatinextension.com



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Save the Dates

6th District Meeting: The 4-H programs in the 6th District hosted the 2011 State Leadership Forum on September 23-25th. There will be a final wrap-up meeting on October 18th at 5pm at Wheat Montana in Three Forks.

4-H Family Orientation Night: Monday, November 14, 2011. 6:30-8:30pm, Belgrade Middle School Cafeteria. Free pizza dinner. Please attend this event if you would like to get an overview of the 4-H program. More details in November's newsletter.

Bar J Wranglers: The Bar J Wranglers will be coming back for another fabulous concert and Gallatin County 4-H fundraiser. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, January 7, 2012.**

Western Region Leaders' Forum: Cheyenne, WY - January 12-15, 2012

Plans are underway for the 2012 Western Region Leaders' Forum. The Forum will take place in Cheyenne, WY - January 12-15, 2012. Below is information regarding the Forum.

Official Conference Website: http://4-h.uwyo.edu/WRLF_12.asp

Information regarding Registration, Hotel, Schedule, Tours and Workshops is located at the official website.

Registration: Registration is online. Deadlines: Early Bird (register by November 1, 2011) \$225.00, Regular (November 2 - December 15, 2011) \$325.00, Registration will close on December 15, 2011!

Forum Hotel: The 2012 Forum will be held at the Historic Plains Hotel. Hotel registration information is located on the Forum website. Reservations can be made now by contacting them at 307-638-3311 and mentioning you are attending the event.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Cody Stone at 994-3503.