

Carbon County 4-H Newsletter



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MARCH



Shooting
Sports Leader
Training



Where: Saratoga
When: 3/21-3/22

Register

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L to R: Riata Withers (Saratoga's Finest), Sydney Anderson (Rawlins Reliables), Maeve & Tiarnan Lally (Savery Savers) stand on the steps in the Wyoming Legislature atrium. The four Carbon County 4-Hers attended WY 4-H Civic Day in Cheyenne on February 23rd.

March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Beef Barn Open Practice (Rawlins)	2 Hardy Hanna Harvesters Club Mtg RSS .22 Parent Mtg	3 Sheridan Livestock Judging Saratoga's Finest Club Meeting DPC PVSS -E	4 PVSS -S	5	6	7 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Basin)
8	9 RSS .22	10 Encampment Cloverbuds DPC PVSS -E	11 PVSS -S	12 Rabbit Mtg	13 Carbon County Classic Horse Judging	14
15 Beef Barn Open Practice (Rawlins)	16 Elk Mountain's Best Club Mtg RSS .22	17 Leader's Council Mtg DPC PVSS -E	18 Saratoga Cloverbuds PVSS -S	19 Rawlins Cloverbuds Rawlins Club mtg	20	21 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Saratoga)
22 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Saratoga)	23	24 PVSS -E	25 PVSS -S	26	27	28 Beef Clipping Clinic (Rawlins)
29	30 RSS .22	31	DPC = dog project classes (Rawlins) PVSS-E = Platte Valley Shooting Sports Practice (Encampment) PVSS-S = Platte Valley Shooting Sports Practice (Saratoga) RSS .22 = Rawlins Shooting Sports .22 rifle/pistol (Rawlins)			

April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Carbon County 4-H Scholarship DUE!! PVSS	2	3	4
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19 WY 4-H Virtual Career Fair	20 Elk Mountain's Best Club Mtg	21 DPC RSS .22	22 PVSS	23	24	25 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Casper)
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Important Dates

October 1 - NEW 4-H YEAR!!

October 14 - Achievement Award Nominations DUE

October 19 - 4-H Achievement Award Night (Zoom)

November 1 - Club Charter Paperwork DUE

December 1 - Holiday Baking Challenge Registration Deadline

January 13 - 7220 Wool Judging Contest

February 1 - Beef Ownership Deadline (Market & Breeding)

February 15 - WY 4-H Scholarship Applications DUE

February 16 - Fair Book Ads DUE

February 21 - State Shooting Sports Development meeting

April 1 - Carbon 4-H Scholarship Applications DUE

May TBD - Swine, Sheep, Goat Market Tag/Weigh

June 1 - 4-H Membership Enrollment Deadline

June 1 - County Shoot Registration Deadline

June 1 - Swine/Sheep/Goat Ownership Deadline (Market & Breeding)

June 1 - Dog ID's DUE (paper)

June 1 - Horse ID's DUE (ZSuite)

June 1 - County Fair Entries OPEN

June 6 - County Shoot Part I (Air Rifle/Pistol)

June 13 - County Shoot Part II (All Other Disciplines)

June 15-18 - Showcase Showdown (Laramie)

June TBD - Jr Livestock Sale Promotion Day

June TBD - 4-H Adventure Camp (Skyline Ranch)

July 1 - Dog Vet Records DUE

July 1 - Horse Safety Certifications DUE

July 9-12 - State Shoot (Douglas)

July 13 - County Fair Entries DUE

July TBD - Platte River Shotgun Shootout (Silver Spur)

August 1-8 - Carbon County Fair

August 10-16 - Wyoming State Fair

September 15 - Record Books DUE

Club Reports

RAWLINS RELIABLES

No February Report

Leader: Kristen Dirck 307-710-1257

LEO COWPOKES

No February Report

Leaders: Marla & Marquita 307-575-0366

ELK MOUNTAIN'S BEST

No February Report

Leader: Freddie Wagner 307-703-0196

HARDY HANNA

HARVESTERS

No February Report

Leader: Chelsy & Brett Smith 307-220-1211

PLATTE VALLEY

SHOOTING SPORTS

No February Report

Leader: Nick Wamsley 970-222-7491

SAVERY SAVERS

No February Report

Leader: Codey Stocks 307-380-6118
Stacy Perry

B.E.V.O.

No February Report

Leaders: Toni Kay Tolle 580-277-0615

WIND COUNTRY



Our meeting was held February 17th. We enjoyed our activity to the Cowboy basketball game which they won against CSU on January 31st. We discussed our fair booth decorations. Record books were encouraged to be updated.

Leaders: Heward family

SARATOGA'S FINEST

Saratoga's Finest 4-H Club met on February 3, 2026. We kicked our meeting off by having our meal. Then, our meeting was called to order by our president, Bayla Berger, that was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and then the 4-H Pledge led by Barrett Cary. We did our activity which was a game called human knot. To play we had to grab hands that were across from us then we tried to untangle ourselves without letting go. Everybody was giggling and saying it was fun.

Then, we went over old business about fair book ads, and they were due February 16. We had 2 amazing presentations, which started with Bexton Berger telling us about his BB gun. It was so informative because he showed us how to load it and where the safety is. Then, Barrett Cary showed us his animal traps and furs. The furs were super soft.

Then, Balya Berger told us how to make an exceptional 4-H story. One thing she said was that it had to be specific, and we can take pictures to help us remember what to write. She told us her story. She did amazing. I really liked the part where she told us that it was really hard to balance her practice with her animals and school.

Our next meeting is on March 3, 2026.

Leader: Josalyn Miller 307-710-7022

Project Leaders & Advisors



Metalwork
Ken Cureton
(Rawlins)
307-328-2642



Rifle
Travis Schinkel
(Rawlins)
307-321-6682



Robotics
Leslie McKlinsky
(Encampment)
307-710-2400



Swine
Olivia Randolph
(Rawlins)
307-321-4737



Beef
Sarah Barber
(Baggs)
307-



Muzzleloader
Bill Orchard
(Baggs)
307-380-8243

Mike Moon
(Saratoga)



Dog
Ashlea Coulson
Roberts

Carla Johnson
(H.E.M.)
307-258-3655

VACANT
(Saratoga)

Kandis Fritz
Micayla Maloney
(Rawlins)
307-321-4395

Mike Moon
(Saratoga)
307-329-8030



Pistol
O.R. Wille
(Baggs)
307-321-1299

Olivia Randolph
(Rawlins)
Contact on
Facebook
Messenger



Horse
Linda Kraft,
Aleshia Withers,
Toni Kay Tolle
(Platte Valley)
580-277-0615

Marla McNeas
(H.E.M.)
307-575-0366

Lael Knotwell
(Platte Valley)

Ashlynn Johnson
(Platte Valley)
307-710-6071



Cloverbuds
Lettie Bane-Smith
(Baggs)
530-635-0777

Mike Moon
(Saratoga)
307-329-8030

Angie Roybal
(Elk Mountain)
307-321-3455



Archery
Kenny Raymond
(Rawlins)
307-320-3219

Callay Danford
(Baggs)
307-380-7047



Sheep
Sue Lee
(Baggs)
307-380-8314

Michaiah Grossnickle
(Elk Mountain)
307-703-0720

Reese Irvine
(Rawlins)
307-320-8001



Shotgun
Ryan Shively
(Rawlins)
701-681-0132

Louis Braun
(Saratoga)
307-710-8228

Marquita McNeas
(H.E.M.)
307-321-5532

Brad Dirck
(Rawlins)
307-209-1921

Emily Haver
(Rawlins, Saratoga,
Encampment)
307-328-2642

O.R. Wille
(Baggs)

Tyson Cobb
(Baggs)
307-380-6188



Marquita McNeas
(H.E.M.)
307-321-5532

VACANT
(Platte Valley)



Rabbits
Brittany George
(Rawlins)
307-431-6864

Mike Moon
(Saratoga)
307-329-8030



Fabric & Fashion
Ashlynn Johnson
(Platte Valley)
307-710-6071

**Hippology/
Horse Judging**
Aleshia Withers
& Stacy Berger
(Saratoga)
806-422-0199



Poultry
Josalyn Miller
(Saratoga)
307-710-7022

Jessica Weber
(Baggs)
307-383-6076

Project Leaders host meetings, teach about their subject, and attend events and trainings to support members in that project

Project Advisors are available through phone call to answer your questions, give advice and point you in the right direction when starting your project

Happy March Birthday!!!

Ridge Larson
Mckinlee Smith
Clifton Criswell
Aspyn Bartlett
Thatcher Johnston
Kinzley Barber
Samantha Holt
Lincoln Walters
Killian O'Brien
Adalyn Randolph
Amelia Waldron
Volunteers
Leslie McLinskey
Stacy Perry
Olivia Randolph
Chelsy Smith
Melissa Donough

Shylo Smith
Declan Schinkel
Delaney Schinkel
Slevin Weeldreyer
Arabella Watson
Wyatt Watson
Barrett Cary
Bristol Herring
Brenna Way
Jamis McLinskey
Levi Hatch
Graysen Gilbert
Gracie Penner
Holt Haug



Volunteer Status



The following volunteers need to update their BACKGROUND CHECK:

- Ashlynn Johnson
- Amanda Strand
- John Hansen
- Todd Heward
- Kathy Reames
- O.R. Wille



The following volunteers need to complete the ONLINE ORIENTATION:

- Ashlynn Johnson
- Amanda Strand
- Dori Fritz
- John Hansen
- Kathy Reames

Volunteers may NOT use the 4-H name and emblem, nor represent themselves as leaders in the program, until the background check & online orientation are completed!

Volunteer Training



Extension



MARCH 31ST

TUESDAY / 6:00 PM - 7:30PM

TOPIC: MEANINGFUL MEETINGS

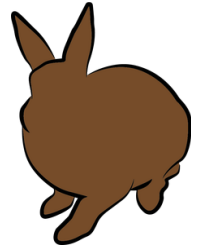
Training focused on creating meaningful meetings and the tools and science behind techniques to accomplish this. No matter what type of gathering you are having; a club meeting, project meeting, or even just attending an activity. This training will be interactive and give you an opportunity to connect with other volunteers. Registration is required for access to the zoom link. You can register using the QR Code above.



Project News

Band App invite:

Rabbit



Project meetings open to all 4-H members

Project Leader: Brittany George

When: 2nd Thursday of the month @ 5pm

Where: 3rd floor mtg room, 215 W Buffalo St, Rawlins

Metalsmithing

APPRENTICE WITH KEN CURETON!

When: 2 hr sessions, 6-8 Saturdays, April-June

Where: Rawlins

What: Spurs or Buckle, gloves & tools provided, steel donated, silver available for purchase

Requirements: Must be in Senior Division, Must enter finished project in County Fair!

How: enroll in the "Expressive Arts - Metalsmithing" project in your ZSuite profile!



Food & Nutrition

Food Cook-Off Theme: "Celebrate 250 with Sizzle & Spice!"

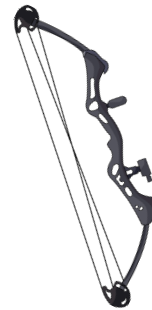
Food Cook-Off is a contest at **Showcase Showdown** in June that any 4-H member can enter!



Project News

Savery Savers Shooting Sports

- Welcome to Danial Larson, our new Archery Leader in Baggs!
- Practice Schedules for all disciplines, TBD when weather warms



Cloverbuds

March Theme: Space

Encampment - Tuesday the 10th

Elk Mountain - Monday the 16th

Saratoga - Wednesday the 18th***

Rawlins - Thursday the 19th

Baggs - check with club leader



***Schedule change as Emily will be gone on usual Wednesday

Horse Judging & Hippology

Practices on Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30pm

PVCC, Saratoga

*Subject to change with school sports schedules

Coach: Aleshia Withers

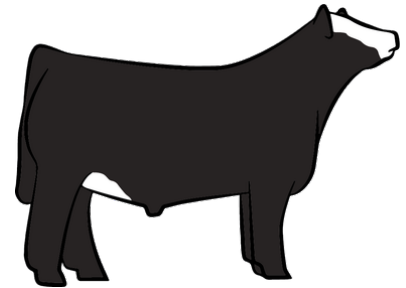
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Project News

Beef

1. ALL BEEF PROJECT MEMBERS:
The Multi-Plex will be open the 1st & 3rd
Sunday of every month for interested youth!
MUST CALL AHEAD!!! TEXT KANDIS OR
MICAYLA!
All 4-H & FFA members are welcome to come
wash, weigh, tie, walk, & brush your beef!!



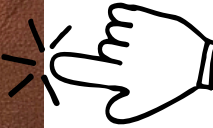

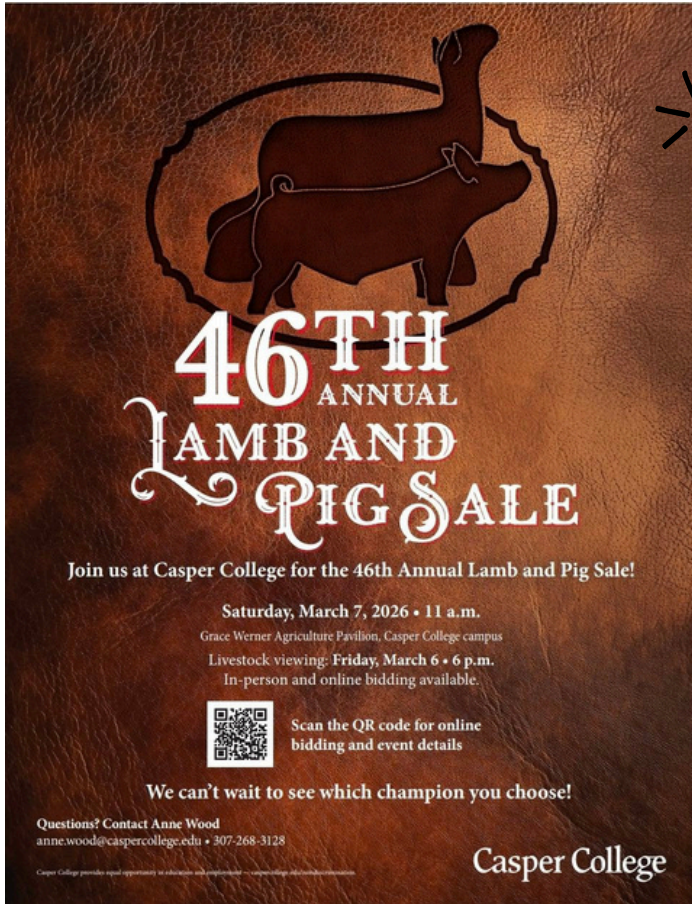
Kandis
307-321-4395

2.



QUESTIONS: KANDIS FRITZ 307-321-4395 OR MICAYLA MALONEY 307-710-2101

Show Animal Sales

46TH ANNUAL LAMB AND PIG SALE

Join us at Casper College for the 46th Annual Lamb and Pig Sale!

Saturday, March 7, 2026 • 11 a.m.
 Grace Werner Agriculture Pavilion, Casper College campus
 Livestock viewing: Friday, March 6 • 6 p.m.
 In-person and online bidding available.

Scan the QR code for online bidding and event details

We can't wait to see which champion you choose!

Questions? Contact Anne Wood
 anne.wood@caspercollege.edu • 307-268-3128

Casper College




Custis SHOW PIGS

LIVE SHOW PIG SALE

MARCH 21ST

1PM CARBON CO. FAIRGROUNDS RAWLINS, WYOMING

10AM.....VIEWING
 12PM.....LUNCH AND SHOWTEC FEED CLINIC

KRISHA 307.760.0327 HEIDI 307.399.2630 NORMAN 307.329.7277

RAWLINS, WYOMING




SINCLAIR LIVESTOCK • REMICK BOERS

No Co ELITE Sale

MARCH 14, 2026

at Southeast Weld County Fairgrounds

7758 Co Rd 59, Keenesburg, CO
 Barn opens at 11:00 Clinic and Lunch at 12:00
 Bidding Opens at 11:00

Prospect wether goats and wether dams

Katie 970-214-8040 Matthew 970-556-8738

Project News

Platte Valley 4-H Shooting Sports

February

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| @ PVCC | @ Encampment |
| <u>4</u> air rifle/air pistol | <u>3</u> air rifle/air pistol |
| <u>11</u> air rifle/air pistol | <u>10</u> air rifle/air pistol |
| <u>18</u> air rifle/air pistol | <u>17</u> air rifle/air pistol |
| <u>25</u> air rifle/air pistol | <u>24</u> air rifle/air pistol |

March

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| @ PVCC | @ Encampment |
| <u>4</u> archery | <u>3</u> archery |
| <u>11</u> archery | <u>10</u> archery |
| <u>18</u> archery | <u>17</u> archery |
| <u>25</u> archery | <u>24</u> archery |

April

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| @ PVCC | @ Encampment |
| <u>1</u> air rifle/air pistol | <u>1</u> air rifle/air pistol |
| <u>8</u> air rifle/air pistol | <u>8</u> air rifle/air pistol |
| <u>15</u> air rifle/air pistol | <u>15</u> air rifle/air pistol |
| <u>22</u> air rifle/air pistol | <u>22</u> air rifle/air pistol |

May

- 2 Trap 9 am
- 6 **SEE NOTICE***
- 9 Trap 9am
- 13 **Road Clean up before practice***
- 16 Trap 9am
- 20 **SEE NOTICE***
- 23 Trap 9am
- 27 **SEE NOTICE***
- 30 Trap 9 am

JUNE

- 3 *Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club *Archery @ PVCC 6-7pm
- 6 *COUNTY SHOOT: Air Rifle and Air Pistol @ PVCC 9am -11 am
- 10 *Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club *Archery @PVCC 6-7pm
- 13 *COUNTY SHOOT: All other disciplines @ Baggs
- 17 *Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club @ 8am
*Archery @PVCC 6-7pm
- 24 *Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club *Archery @PVCC 6-7pm

July

- 1 Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club
- 8 Final Preparations for State Shoot
- 9th - 11th

WY STATE SHOOT @ Douglas

Notice:

Archery will be 6pm to 7pm at PVCC

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All other will disciplines will be 6 pm - 8 pm at the Saratoga Gun Club

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Practice will include as many disciplines as available instructors

Project News

Rawlins 4-H Shooting Sports

Welcome to the 2026 Rawlins 4-H Shooting Sports season!

Equipment: We highly encourage any new shooters/parents to contact the leader(s) for your discipline prior to purchasing any equipment. All programs have some equipment to loan out on a first come basis. The leaders will also be able to advise you on specific features to look for if you are purchasing. **It is important to ensure that rifles, pistols, bows and shotguns meet 4-H requirements PRIOR to purchasing!**

Communication between leaders and parents/shooters will be through the Band App. Please watch for an invitation to join (invites will be sent using enrollment email). If you do not receive an invite before practices are scheduled to start please reach out to one of the coaches.

Schedules: Leaders for all of the disciplines are currently working through scheduling with the Rec Center and the Multi-Plex at the Fairgrounds. We will send out specifics on start dates, practice schedules and locations as soon as possible.

Rec Center Membership: All .22 and shotgun shooters will need to purchase a Rec Center Shooting Range pass prior to the first practice.

This pass will allow you a full year of access to the indoor and outdoor shooting range. Ask for the Nord Kirking Scholarship application to receive 50% off your Rec Center membership.

- .22 Rifle and Pistol:
 - **MANDATORY PARENT MEETING First Week of March. Details will be emailed and sent out in Band.**
 - Practices will start the second week of March
 - Please contact Travis (307-321-6682) or Reese (307-320-8001) for more information about equipment and practices.
- Archery:
 - Tentative start date Monday April 6.
 - Juniors will shoot from 6 to 7.
 - Intermediate/Seniors will shoot from 7 to 8.
 - All equipment will need to be ready to use prior to the first practice. Please contact Kenny if you need help setting up your equipment - 307-320-3219
- Shotgun:
 - Practice schedule will be sent out as soon as we have the details worked out with the Rawlins Shooting Range.
 - All shooters can come at 6pm on that day.
 - Please contact Ryan for information about equipment and practices -701-681-0132

We also have a private group on FB called the Rawlins Shooting Sports group. Please message Reese Irvine on FB if you would like to be added to that group.

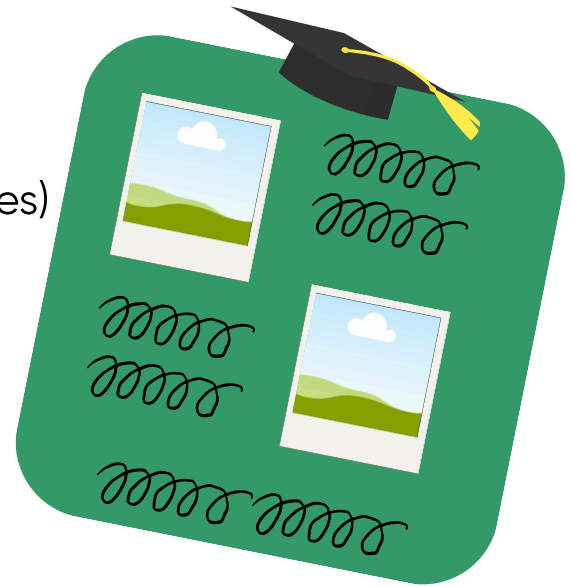
Thank you,
Travis, Ryan, Kenny, Kie, and Reese

County 4-H

Graduating Seniors:

Please send the following to Emily to be featured in the May 4-H Newsletter:

1. Senior Photo
2. Photo of you with 4-H project
3. Favorite 4-H Memory (1-2 sentences)
4. Advice to Younger Members (1-2 sentences)



4-H Honor Cords:

County Cords:

All high school seniors enrolled in the Carbon County 4-H program will receive their green & white cords in the mail by May 1st!

State Cords:

To receive the green & gold 4-H cords from the WY 4-H Office, you must complete this survey by April 19th:



Calling all
2026
4-H Graduates



County 4-H Events



4-H Adventure Camp

SAVE THE DATE:
June 23-25, 2026
Skyline Ranch,
Encampment

Ages
9-13*



This is a two night, three day tent camp focused on creating confidence and stewardship of our natural world through fostering a sense of:

- Belonging in nature
- Independence of discovery
- Generosity to plants and animals
- Mastery of outdoor skills

2026 Theme:
"4-H Around
The World"



County 4-H



“Making
the best
better.”

Carbon County 4-H Foundation

P.O. Box 280 Rawlins, Wyoming 82301

Phone: (307) 328-2642

High School Senior Scholarship

(1st year of undergraduate study)

Open to any graduating senior who is or was a 4-H member, attending any in or out of state accredited educational institution of higher learning on a full-time basis. This scholarship may be won by the same student more than once!

Continuing Higher Education Scholarship

(2nd, 3rd, or 4th year of undergraduate)

Open to any undergraduate student after their first year of higher education, who was a 4-H member, attending any in or out of state accredited educational institution of higher learning on a full-time basis. This scholarship may be won by the same student more than once!

Horse Scholarship

(one time award to be used for higher education)

Any senior 4-H member (age 14-18 on 1/1/2026) enrolled in Carbon County who is or has been enrolled in the Carbon County horse program is eligible for this scholarship. Member may win scholarship only once, non-successful applicants may reapply. One scholarship will be awarded each year. This scholarship is to any college, university or trade school of the recipient's choice

DUE: April 1 each year

Applications can be found at www.wyoextension.org/carboncounty/



County 4-H

Other Scholarships



Wyoming CattleWomen Scholarship – Due February 28th, 2026

- Female residents of Wyoming
- Enrolled full time in a certificate program, trade school, junior college, or university.
- Application: <https://www.wyocattlewomen.org/scholarship>

Carbon County Stock Growers' Association Scholarship – Due April 1st, 2026

- All applicants must have graduated (or equivalent) from a Carbon County high school.
- All applicants must attend a school of higher learning in Wyoming or bordering state.
- Open to: A) Any student enrolled in a field of agriculture - and/or B) Immediate relatives of paid Carbon County Stock Grower members (to included sons, daughters, and grandchildren) wishing to study any field.
- Application: <https://wyoextension.org/carboncounty/4h-youth-development/2024-scholarships/>

Carbon County Farm Bureau Scholarship #1– Due April 15th, 2026

- Must be graduating from a Carbon County High School.
- Minimum 3.0 GPA, based on a 4.0 system.
- Attend a Wyoming College/University in the upcoming fall semester.
- Application and Essay must be handwritten, all question answered, and signatures signed.
- Failure to follow application requirements will result in disqualification.
- Application: <https://www.wyfb.org/carbon-county/>

Carbon County Farm Bureau "Member" Scholarship #2 – Due April 15th, 2026

- Provide parents' Carbon County Farm Bureau Membership Number
- Be a graduating senior from high school
- Have at least a 3.00 cumulative grade point average, based on a 4.00 system. (Principal must sign to verify cumulative GPA)
- Attend an accredited college, university, or trade school
- Application and Essay must be handwritten, all questions answered, and signatures on document.
- Failure to follow application requirements will result in disqualification.
- Application: <https://www.wyfb.org/education/scholarship/>

Carbon County Commissioners Scholarships: – Due Last Friday in April (24th), 2026

- Available to Students who plan on attending the University of Wyoming or any Wyoming Community College.
- Not specific to graduating high school students. Non-traditional students are eligible.
- Must be a resident of Carbon County
- There will be 3 new scholarships and 1 renewal scholarship awarded each year.
- Application: <https://www.carboncountyyw.gov/928/Scholarships>



In The News!

Rawlins HS Honor Roll

1st Semester

4.0 GPA

9th - Jamie Dirck & MaKatie McMullin

10th -Carston Bartlett

11th - Traven Fritz

12th - Sydney Seldomridge

3.5-3.99 GPA

11th-Emily Donough, Owen Meyer & Austin White

12th Makenlee Patterson

Rawlins Times

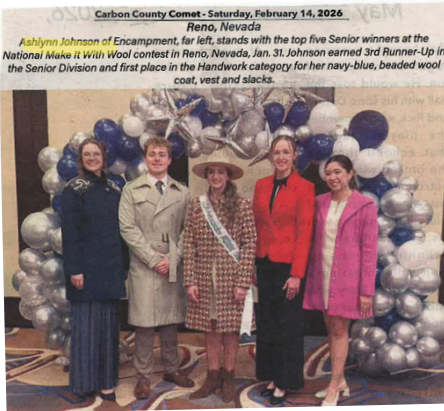
Snake River Press



Heart of a Rattler awarded at LSRV Elementary. Front Row: Dante Gomez, Bansen Harding, Emarosa Brough, Jared Anaya. Second Row: Keagan Stocks, Gracie Harding, Quincy Harrison, Addie Noland, Gus Memmott, Ivan Alvarez. Third Row: Hazel McKee, Cameron Stuart, Kyson Stocks, Azul Marquez, Connor Fulton, Enoch Rodriguez. Last Row: Trisdyn Kisner, R-Lee Russell, Rosin Weeldreyer, Lexi Abrams, Ian Haskins, Bohannon Dana, Lenox Weeldreyer, Colton Barber. Not in Photo: Harper Dana, Murphy Smith, Itzanyanna Alarcon, and Kasen Braun
Photo by Cindy Cobb



SAVERY SAVERS MEETING IN JAN SNAKE RIVER PRESS



Carbon County Comet - Saturday, February 14, 2026
Reno, Nevada
Ashlynn Johnson of Encampment, far left, stands with the top five Senior winners at the National Make it With Wool contest in Reno, Nevada, Jan. 31. Johnson earned 3rd Runner-Up in the Senior Division and first place in the Handwork category for her navy-blue, beaded wool coat, vest and slacks.



Carbon County Comet - Saturday, February 7, 2026
Encampment Homecoming
King & Queen: Dashaal Blyssinger & Regis Stewart. Senior Attendants: Caleb Koehn & Aurora Matti, Junior Attendants: Dodson Miller & Paula Mateos Sanchez, Sophomore Attendants: Declan Ralston & Grayson Goodman, Freshman Attendants: Keliar Swanson & Rori Mahan

Education FCCLA at HEM Gets Ready for State and Nationals

By Mike Armstrong
Reporter, Carbon County Comet

Ashelia Hoffman has qualified for Nationals every year and she creates fashion items herself. She studied in Japan for a while and on her patterns, her notes are in Japanese. She just passed a Japanese language test in Denver. On her clothing, she even makes her buttons out of resin. The making of the item is one third of the points. The portfolio or storyboard will be another third and then the in person presentation counts for one third.



A jacket by Ashelia Hoffman is made from a pattern the student designed and created.

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Education

Taking A Sledding Break



Photos by Hillary Fogarty
Raya Stockwell and Brynlyn Spaulding share a ride down the sledding hill.



Clara Leiseth puts in the work to drag her sled up the hill.

Encampment Speaks

Encampment FFA holds speaking contest



Photo Courtesy Mandy Westerman
Back Row, from left, Jamie McLinskey, Connor Tolle, Lloyd Wamsley, Bergen Love, Anna McLinskey, Kellan Swanson. Front, from left, Kelly Love, Cash Tolle, Janelly Wamsley.

Snake River Press

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Encampment FFA holds speaking contest

Staff Report

The Encampment FFA and 4H hosted the second annual competitive speaking contest last Wednesday night at the Encampment school library. According to FFA Advisor Mandy Westerman, the results of the contest speeches were as follows:

- 4H Junior Prepared Speeches**
- 1st Place Anna McLinskey - Babysitting
 - 2nd Place Kellyby Love - Logging

- Junior Impromptu**
- Cash Tolle

- Intermediate Prepared**
- 1st Place Bergen Love - How to Train a Show Steer
 - 2nd Place Lloyd Wamsley - Facts About Bow Hunting

- Intermediate Impromptu**
- 1st Place Jamie McLinskey
 - 2nd Place Lloyd Wamsley
 - 3rd Place Connor Tolle

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- 1st Place Kellan Swanson
- 2nd Place Jamie McLinskey

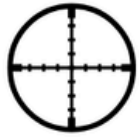
They will both move on to the district contest in Rock River on Feb 18th.

"Thank you to all the supporters and judges that came to watch our kids," said Westerman. "Thanks for all you do."



Photo courtesy Mandy Westerman
Anna McLinskey giving a prepared speech on "How to be a Good Babysitter"

State 4-H



Campbell County 4-H Shooting Sports Jackpot

CONCESSIONS
AVAILABLE



APRIL 11 • AG COMPLEX, WRIGHT • 9AM

**THE COST IS \$2/DISCIPLINE OR \$5 FOR
ALL**

ARCHERY • AIR RIFLE • AIR PISTOL

Please RSVP at <http://tiny.cc/ccjackpotshoot>



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YOUTH HUNTER EDUCATION CHALLENGE

Young hunters display their shotgun, .22 rifle, muzzleloader and archery marksmanship. Participants will also demonstrate plus their hunting ethics and wildlife identification.

Upton Gun Club Shooting Range Near the
Cedar Pines Golf Club
2579 WY-116, Upton, WY 82730



June 13, 2026

Starting at 7:00 a.m., awards at 4:00 pm

Registration is limited.

Ages 9-18, must have a hunter education certificate to register



REGISTER NOW!

Scan the QR code to register
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State 4-H

SHOWCASE SHOWDOWN

LARAMIE, WYOMING
JUNE 15-18 2026



- NIGHTLY EVENTS
- 13 STATE CONTEST
- 20± WORKSHOPS

HORSE JUDGING

team contest



Contest Details:

- 4-H youth (ages 8 - 18)
- Team Contest, consisting of 2-4 youth
- 4 hour contest
- **Taking place at LCCC in Cheyenne on Monday June 15 (Transportation provided)**
- Contest will include halter/conformation and performance classes (see rules sheet for details)
- Study from the NHJTCA handbook
- Senior teams compete for eligibility at National Competition

Scan Here to
Learn More



Wyoming 4H

For more information, contact Rylie Ogden
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County Fair

Calling all artists:

“The Great Wyoming Ribbon Art Roundup”

Statewide Art Collaboration for the 2026 Wyoming State Fair

Task:

Each county will create a ribbon-based artwork that represents its community—your people, industries, landmarks, or spirit! When finished, these 23 pieces will come together for a spectacular display at WSF 2026!



Guidelines

- One entry per county
- Minimum 2 ft x 2 ft, maximum 3 ft x 5 ft, including the frame.
- At least 90% of the visible artwork must be made from ribbons. You can cut, fold, twist, weave, or otherwise manipulate them—creativity encouraged!

Directions: Email Emily, work on a design before summer, pick up old ribbons from the fair office to complete!

NEW

EZFair

Entering your 4-H projects in the Carbon County Fair will happen through a NEW website this year: EZFair!



This program is linked to your 4-H ZSuite account, so it is really important your ZSuite account info is correct!

Carbon County 4-H

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