

#### Lincoln County

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Afton Office - 307-885-3132

October 2025

**Kemmerer Office – 307-828-4092** 

#### **Upcoming Events**

Oct 01	New 4-H Year Starts
Oct 05-11	National 4-H Week
Oct 06	SV Award Night, 6 pm, 4-H Exhibit Building
Oct 08	Kemmerer Award Night, 6:30 pm, Training Ctr.
Oct 09	SV Cloverbuds, 4 pm, Afton Civic Center
Oct 13	SV Jr. Leader Mtg., 6 pm, Afton Civic Center
Oct 13	Cokeville Award Night, 7 pm, Elementary
Oct 27	SV 4-H Halloween Festival, 5:00 pm, 4-H Exhibit Bldg.
Nov 27-28	Thanksgiving Holiday, Ext. Offices Closed
Nov 28	
-Dec 2	National 4-H Congress, Washington, DC
2026	
Mar 25-29	Ignite By 4-H, Washington, DC

CLUB FUNDRAISER FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO AND APPROVED BY THE EXTENSION OFFICE BEFORE THE FUNDRAISER HAPPENS!

#### **4-H Awards Nights**

Star Valley: Oct. 6 at 6 pm 4-H Exhibit Building

Baked Potato Bar

(Butter, Sour Cream, and Cheese will be provided)

Bring a side dish or a dessert

Kemmerer: Oct 8 at 6 pm

South Events Center

Cokeville: Oct. 13 at 7 pm

Cokeville Elementary

If you have questions, please contact Afton Office, 885-3132 or Kemmerer Office 828-4092

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### Online 4-H Registration DO NOT ENROLL until after October 1!!

https://4h.zsuite.org

<u>Returning Families & Leaders</u>— Follow the instructions on pages 9-10 of this newsletter.

<u>New Families & Leaders</u>—Follow the instructions on page 8 or contact either Extension Office for help.

Contact Afton (885-3132) or Kemmerer (828-4092) Extension Office for questions



#### 4-H Program Information

To Empower Youth to Reach Their Full Potential Working & Learning in Partnership with Caring Adults

#### 4-H Educator's Letter...

Welcome to October! It is the start of a new 4-H year, and it is time to re-enroll on ZSuite.

I have a couple of reminders as you get ready to re-enroll for the year:

- \* Make sure to check that your contact information and address is up to date on ZSuite.
- \* Please confirm youth's clubs and project information is up to date while signing them up for the year.
- Volunteers, make sure that you have completed all requirements for the year. After you enroll on ZSuite, check for confirmation emails. You'll receive directions if you need to complete a background check or 5-year training. If due for training or background check, you will be unable to be approved as a volunteer until that has been completed.

If you have any problems while re-enrolling, call the Afton or Kemmerer offices for assistance, or check farther in the newsletter for written directions on re-enrollment.

National 4-H Week is October 5 – 11 this year. Watch for events in Afton and Kemmerer to celebrate!

4-H Year-End Awards ceremonies are coming up in Afton, Cokeville, and Kemmerer. Check ZSuite for dates, times, and locations, and we hope to see you all there.

#### Deborah

#### Cloverbuds—Oct. 9

The next SV Cloverbud activity will be on October 9, 4 pm at the Afton Civic Center. Cloverbuds is an introductory program for kids ages 5 to 7 years old (as of January 1). Please let Shar know you are planning to attend.

#### Jr. Leader Meeting—Oct. 13

The next SV area Jr. Leader Meeting will be on October 13, 6 pm at the Afton Civic Center. Please let Shar know you are coming.



#### October Birthdays!!!

Paislee B.
Jace B.
Sara B.
India B.
Molly C.
Thayer C.
Riley D.

Colby E. Allison F. Spencer G. Whitli G. Markus H. Oakley H.

Tyson H. James H. Keston J. Evelynn K. Carly M. Harlon M. Evie M. Catina N. Rowan N. Paxton P. Stedson R. Treydon R. Joshua S. Leroy S. Marek S. Richlee S. Madelief T. Stockton W. Alexis W.

#### State Fair Static Exhibit Results

Weston L.-Jr. Foods, Red Rosette Beth C.—Photos, 3rd Place Overall, Green Rosette Taizlee W.—Int. Quilts, 1st place, Blue Rosette McKenna W.—Sr. Quilts, Grand Champ, Green Rosette Felicity R.—Jr. Tied Quilts, 2nd place, Red Rosette

#### State Shoot Results

Hailey B.—Int. Class D Archery Target, 90th place

Hailey B.—Int. Class D 3-D Target, 92nd place

Hailey B.—Int. Air Pistol, 60th place

Hailey B.—Int. Air Rifle-Lt. Target, 33rd place

Hailey B.—Int. .22 Rifle-Lt. Target, 48th place

Hailey B.-Int. .22 Pistol, 67th place

Kimber S.—Int. Air Pistol, 39th place

Kimber S.—Int. Air Rifle-Lt. Target, 28th place

Kimber S.—Int. .22 Rifle-Sporter, 43rd place Kimber S.—Int. Shotgun Singles, 78th place

Kimber S.—Int. Shotgun Handicap, 75th place Kimber S.—Int. Muzzleloading, 36th place

Destiny S.—Sr. Air Pistol, 30th place

Destiny S.—Sr. Air Rifle-Lt. Target, 4th place

Destiny S.—Sr. .22 Rifle-Sporter, 6th place

Destiny S.—Sr. .22 Pistol, 45th place
Destiny S.—Sr. Shotgun Singles, 93rd place
Destiny S.—Sr. Shotgun Handicap, 86th place

Remington S.—Sr. Air Pistol, 57th place

Remington S.—Sr. Air Rifle-Lt. Target, 17th place

Remington S.—Sr. .22 Rifle-Sporter, 21st place

Remington S.—Sr. .22 Pistol, 61st place

Remington S.—Sr. Shotgun Singles, 96th place Remington S.—Sr. Shotgun Handicap, 94th place Remington S.—Sr. Muzzleloading, 41st place

#### 4-H Club News—

#### Hamsfork Hands 4-H Club

The Hamsfork Hands 4-H Club meet on the first Monday of each month, 6:30 pm at the So. Events Center. The awards night will be at 6 pm on October 8.

The Hamsfork Hands met in September. This is a summary of our meeting. We had a tremendous showing of members to nominate and vote for 2026 4H officers. The members discussed and voted on upcoming fundraisers and homecoming float. We ended the meeting with voting on outstanding leader, volunteer, and senior members for the end of year awards.

#### **Wyoming State/Regional Events & News**

(More information online at: http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/)

**National 4-H Congress:** 

November 28 - December 2, 2025

https://wyoming4h.formstack.com/forms/congress\_app

WY Youth Application due to State Office by September 15th

Ignite by 4-H:

March 25 - 29, 2026

https://wyoming4h.formstack.com/forms/ignite 4 h

WY Youth Application due to State Office by October 31st but please remember Conference could sell out before October 31<sup>st</sup>.









## 4-T MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

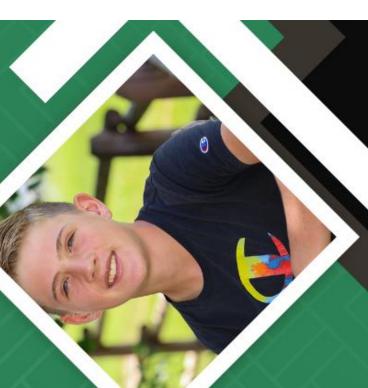
# MASON LORIMER

 Mason is 13 years old and will be in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Star Valley Middle School. This is his 5<sup>th</sup> year as a member of the Lucky Clovers and Hog Squad 4-H Clubs.

 He is the Vice President of the Lucky Clovers 4-H Club.

 Projects include: Market Swine, Poultry, Food & Nutrition, Fabrics & Fashion, and Leatherwork.

Other hobbies: dirt-biking, fishing, and playing sports.



#### 4-H Volunteer Spotlight

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." ~ Elizabeth Andrew

#### Highlights:

- Ericka started out as a 4-H
   parent and quickly jumped
   into the role of a leader she
   and her husband, Tyler are
   club leaders of the Meadow
   Grazers.
- Ericka is the Star Valley Parent Leader Group President.
- Ericka is a member of the Leader Advisory Committee.
   She is always willing to help wherever she can. Ericka is one you can always count on.
   She will also be found at many state events helping with the county kids.
- Ericka is very involved in the community.
- Ericka is a 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher.
   She is very busy supporting her boys with all their activities.

Ericka **Putnam** Lincoln County 7 Years UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

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#### Word Search

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october	vampire	creepy	howl
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mask	witch	skeleton	

games

ghost

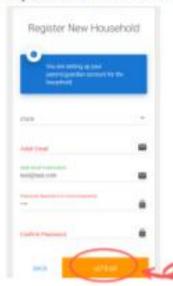


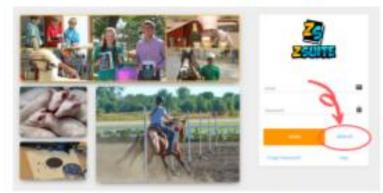
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#### ZSuite 4-H Enrollment!

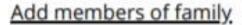
#### Enrolling in Wyoming 4-H

- Go to https://4h.zsuite.org/ (open in Google Chrome, not Internet Explorer)
- 2. Click Sign Up
- Fill in the required fields (you can use your same email and password from 4HOnline).





- Create a pin number (we recommend an easy to remember four-digit number, like the last four numbers of your phone number).
  - REMEMBER your password and pin number, you will need it to access your enrollment!
- Select Wyoming and your home County.
- 3. Click Let's Go

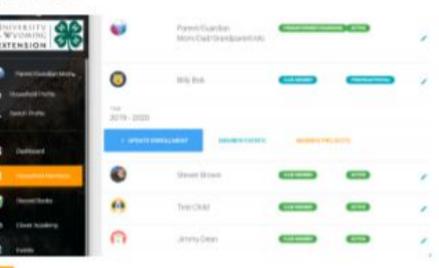


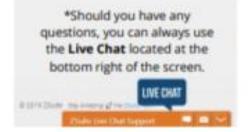
You should now be directed to the Dashboard screen.

- To add members, in the black drop down menu, select household members.
- 2. On the next screen, select
- Fill in the required fields for one of your members.
- 4. Don't forget to add a club! Click
- You will also need to select projects for each club by clicking then selecting a project from the drop down menu
- 5. Finish by clicking

You will return to the **Household Members** screen.

The member you added should appear in the list along with yourself. Repeat this process for the other members of your household.

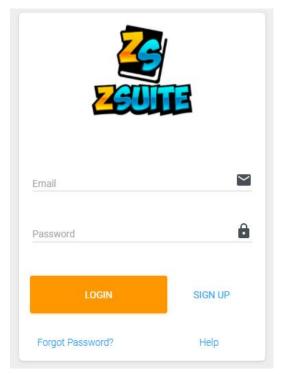


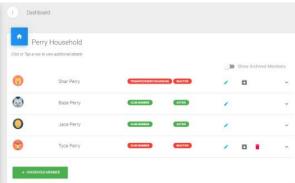


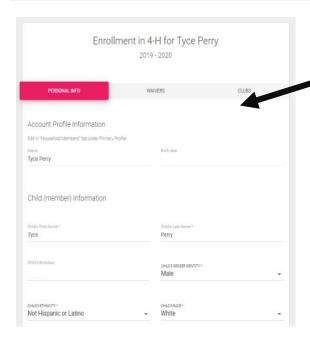


#### **ZSuite 4-H Enrollment**







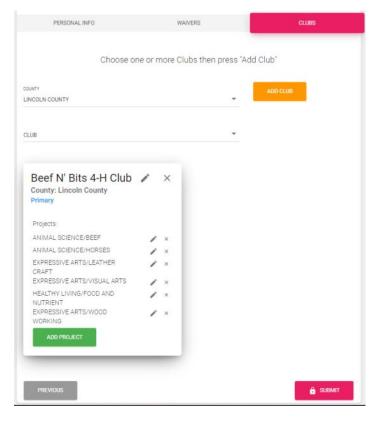


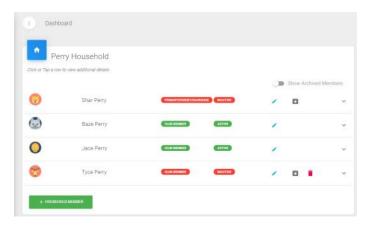
#### **Returning Member Enrollment**

#### **Yearly Re-enrollment of Family Members**

Enrollment must be done **annually** to stay active in 4-H.

- Go to <a href="https://4h.zsuite.org/">https://4h.zsuite.org/</a> (open in Google Chrome, not Internet Explorer). You will see a screen like this.
- 2. Use the same email and password you used to sign up for zsuite.
- 3. Click LOGIN
  - if you forgot your password, click the **Forgot Pass-word?** And you will be prompted to enter another password.
- 4. You MUST be signed in as the PRIMARY account to enroll members.
- 5. Once you log into your PRIMARY account, you will see a list of all the household members and their current enrollment status. Note the background color—Red signifies inactive profiles , while green signifies a member is currently enrolled. (NOTE: Each year, all profiles are made inactive.)
- 6. Click the picture besides the member you want to update. You can easily update inactive profiles by clicking
- 7. This will take you to the enrollment wizard form.
   Complete all information. (NOTE: Required fields will have an asterisk \* behind it. The system will not go to the next section until all required fields are completed.)
- 8. If you need to leave, prior to finishing your enrollment, click the 'SAVE FOR LATER' link at the bottom right of the form so you will not have to re-enter the data you've already completed.
- 9. Click at the bottom of the **Personal Information** section to go to the **Waivers** section. Click the Next button to go to the **Clubs** section





- 10. The 'CLUBS' section allows you to choose the clubs you'll be participating in for the year. You can choose more than one club, if desired, by selecting a club from the drop down menu and then clicking the orange **ADD CLUB** button. The clubs appear in their own box. NOTE: Do not click the "X" in the upper right hand of the club box unless you are not participating in that club.
- 11. You can add projects by clicking the green **ADD PROJECT** button and selecting it from the drop down menu.
- 12. You can delete projects by clicking the "x" next to the project you want deleted.
- 13. If your county has an enrollment fee, you will handle this on the 'CHECKOUT' tab. Any payment methods chosen by your state will appear as options on the page. If your state does not have an enrollment fee, simply click the 'SUBMIT' button to submit your enrollment.
- 14. Once your enrollment is completed, your county administrators will be contacted regarding your enrollment. Your enrollment will be in a 'Pending Approval' state until approval from your county staff.
- 15. Once you're approved, your status will change to 'Active'.

Please log into your zSuite account weekly to check for announcements from your county and club leaders.

If you have questions, please contact us

Shar Perry, Afton Extension Office, 307-885-3132

Deborah Peavler, Kemmerer Extension Office, 307-828-4092



#### What Is Character?

#### **RESPECT**

- Is friendly and cooperative when asked to take on responsibilities.
- Listens to and acknowledges the viewpoints of others.
- Treats everyone with respect and dignity to maintain a positive working environment.
- Models listening and maintains an open mind.
- Works to establish a respectful and working relationship with mentor.
- Accepts constructive criticism and modifies behavior when necessary.
- Is courteous and polite to others.
- Doesn't use, manipulate, exploit or take advantage of others. Works well as a team member.

#### **CITIZENSHIP**

- Maintains an active role in school and community activities.
- Follows company policies, regulations, and procedures.
- Shows initiative by becoming helpful and resourceful.
   Indicates a positive and enthusiastic work attitude.
- Ensures compliance with legal and reporting procedures and regulations.
- Accurately reports hours worked according to required procedures.
- Takes care of equipment and resources.
- Demonstrates a knowledge and interest in ethical, political economical, and environmental issues that impact the career and the country.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

- Accepts responsibility and is accountable for quality of work.
- Perseveres and gets the job done.
- Recognizes what needs to be done.
- Pays attention to detail.
- Dependable in fulfilling commitments.
- Takes pride in work. Takes responsibility and is accountable for his or her own actions and mistakes.
- Strives to improve abilities learns new skills and takes on broader responsibilities.
- Asserts own views in a reasonable manner.

#### **TRUSTWORTHINESS**

- Gives proper notice of absences. arrives on time.
- · Works scheduled hours.
- Provides honest feedback on progress and problems.
- Works well with little supervision.
- Keeps confidences and honors a person's right to privacy.
- Develops honest, open and ethical in relationships with others
- Stands by his or her commitments.
- Earns trust and confidence through honesty and hard work.
- Does not steal, misuse or abuse company property or equipment.

#### **FAIRNESS**

- Uses tact and fairness in dealing With others.
- Is Flexible in coping with different expectations, situations, and diverse leadership styles.
- · Completes tasks in a timely manner.
- Contributes knowledge, ideas, and skills to others.
- Contributes to the team or organization in seeking solutions to improvements.
- Gives people a reasonable benefit of the doubt.
- Concentrates on the positive.
- Demonstrates sound communication skills in conflict situations by using openness, flexibility, and a win-win attitude.

#### **CARING**

- Builds positive relationships with others.
- Shows kindness and is sensitive to the feelings of others.
- Takes time to help others.
- Attends to details.
- Does quality work.
- Gives accurate self-evaluation of work performance.
- Works harmoniously with others on a daily basis.
- Respects the property of others.
- Takes the time to talk with people face-to-face about issues.



#### Cent\$ible Nutrition Program

Helping Families Eat Better for Less

#### Cent\$ible Nutrition Program -

<u>Star Valley and Kemmerer Areas</u> - The classes will be fun hands-on classes about food and nutrition, food safety, the new MyPlate guide, and other food topics. The class is hands-on cooking with a great cookbook. The class is free to those who qualify. If you are interested in participating in a class or have any questions, please contact **Stephanie Anderson at the Uinta Co. Extension Office at 307-783-0570.** 

To learn more about CNP programming, visit uwyocnp.org.

- 6. Cook for 1 minute on medium heat, then add the milk a few Tablespoons at a time, stirring constantly until tick and bubbly.
- 7. Add milk mixture to the soup pot and cook soup until heated through. Serve topped with cheese.

Source: Cent\$ible Nutrition Program

#### **Creamy Potato Soup**

Makes 6 Servings

#### Ingredients:

- 1 teaspoon oil
- 31/2 cups raw potatoes, diced
- 1/3-1 cup celery, diced
- 1/3-1 cup onion, diced
- 3/4 cup ham, chopped (optional)
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 teaspoon seasoning of choice (garlic, Italian, taco, dill, thyme, basil, etc.)
- 4 cups low-sodium broth
- 2 Tablespoons oil or butter
- 2 Tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 cups low-fat milk
- 1/2 cup low-fat shredded cheddar cheese (optional)

#### **Directions:**

- 1. Wash hands with warm, soapy water for 20 seconds.
- In a large soup pot, heat oil. Add celery and onions. Cook for 3-5 minutes until onion is soft.
- 3. Add potatoes, broth, pepper, and seasoning. Bring to a boil and cook over medium heat until potatoes are tender, about 10 -15 minutes.
- 4. Once potatoes are soft, mash some of them with a fork or potato masher for a creamier texture, if desired.
- 5. To make the cream sauce for the soup, heat oil or butter in a small saucepan. Once hot, add flour and stir until it turns pasty.



## October 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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