

## Erin's Notes

Each month I sit down to write this and can't believe how fast another month has flown by! We are already a month in to the new 4-H year and I am so excited that we already have so many families enrolled for 4-H this year, including many new families. I came home from Pittsburg and the National 4-H Professional Conference with some great new ideas and some fun ways to add new things to favorite activities. If you are in your first or second year in 4-H, please make plans to join us on November 16th for a "New to 4-H" gathering to kick off the year!

In the Volunteer Corner pages I have started a list of events that I would love to have some volunteer help at – you can be a enrolled leader or you can be a parent that just wants to help at that event. I would really love to have some volunteers to teach workshops across the many project areas this winter. So many of you have skills that you can share with others, reach out so that we can schedule something fun!

New this month to the Chatter is a page dedicated to Community Service. The next few months are a great time to give a little extra to your community. If you know of a specific need, please share so that I can share with others.

November is the month of gratitude to many so I encourage you to think about the things you are grateful for. A fun way to do that is to write down and share a couple things you are thankful for each day with family or friends.

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## UPCOMING DATES



## **November**

November 6 - Shooting Sports Leader Meeting @ 6 PM

November 10 - Food, Fun 4-H Cooking Club

November 12 - Make It With Wool Contest

November 13 - Fair Board Meeting

November 14 - Upton Cloverbuds

November 16 - Newcastle Tumbleweeds

November 16 - New to 4-H Dinner

November 17 - Cookie Workshop

November 23-24 - Office Closed for Thanksgiving

November 28 - Volunteer Training







## December

December 8 - Food, Fun 4-H Cooking Club

December 11 - Fair Board Meeting

December 25-January 2 - UW Winter Closure

## **WESTON COUNTY 4-H CLUBS**

## Elk Mountain Outlaws

**Leaders:**Kami Lopez
Kara Fladstol

Next Meeting: November 19 2:00 PM Fairgrounds

## **Dewey Wranglers**

**Leaders:**Kendra Paulton
Dani Stearns

Next Meeting: November 2nd

## Sagebrush Maids & Wranglers

Leaders: Melinda Huff Becky Swentesky Next Meeting:
November 13th
6:30 PM
Melinda's House

## **Borderline Bandits**

**Leader:**Crystal Stevens-Benson

Next Meeting: TBA

## **Prairie and Pines**

**Leaders:**Kasi White
Nastel Dean

Next Meeting:
November 20th
6:30 PM
Mrs. White's Classroom
Upton Elementary School

## **Stock Show Junkies**

Leaders:
Briley & Ty Miller
Hale & Alicia Redding

Next Meeting: TBA

### What is the benefit of being in a 4-H club ...

There are many benefits of being in a club; friendship and fellowship, opportunity for leadership development, plus strides in self-confidence, learning to work with others, communication skills, decision making, problem solving, citizenship, expanded horizons, organizational skills, respect for and from others, patience, tolerance, and real-world experience! The club leader will help you with decision making, keep you informed about project announcements and deadlines, and will be a great encouragement!

## 4-H Enrollment Info

#### **4-H AGES**

4-H Age is determined by your child's age as of January 1, 2024.

- Cloverbuds are 5-7 years old as of January 1
- Junior 4-H members are 8-10 years old as of January 1
- Intermediate 4-H members are 11-13 years old as of January 1
- Senior 4-H members are 14-18 years old as of January 1

#### **HOW TO ENROLL**

Visit https://4h.zsuite.org/ to complete your 4-H Enrollment

Below are tip sheets to help you create a new profile or access your current one.

The earlier in the 4-H Year that you complete your 4-H Membership (Enrollment) the more you will benefit from the 4-H program!

#### **ENROLLMENT FEES**

October 1 – 7th – National 4-H Week – no enrollment cost

October 8th – December 31st – \$10 per member

January 1 – May 15th – \$20 per member

\*\*No cost for Cloverbud members\*\*

## **ENROLLMENT DEADLINE**

Youth must be enrolled with active status in 4-H in order to participate in any 4-H activities. Enrollment fees are due at the time of enrollment. Please note: youth are not covered by the 4-H insurance until you have active status in ZSuite!

Youth must have active status by May 15th to participate in summer activities (camp, fair, etc.) This deadline will be strictly adhered to in 2024.



## **WYOMING 4-H PROJECTS**



## ANIMAL SCIENCES

- Beef Cattle
- Cats
- Dogs
- Dairy Goats
- Meat Goats
- Horses
- Llamas & Alpacas
- Pocket Pets
- Poultry
- Rabbits
- Sheep
- Swine
- Veterinary Science

## **HEALTHY LIVING**

- Foods and Nutrition
- Gardeinging and Horticulture
- Health
- Outdoor Recreation

## LEADERSHIP & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

- Civic Engagement
- Youth Leadership
- Self Determined

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- Aerospace
- Computers
- Electricity
- Robotics

## NATURAL RESOURCES

- Entomology
- Geology
- Nature & Ecology
- Range Management
- Shooting Sports
- Sportfishing
- Wildlife and Hunting

### EXPRESSIVE ARTS

- Cake Decorating
- Crocheting
- Fabric and Fashion
- Interior Design
- Knitting
- Leathercraft
- Photography
- Quilting
- Ropecraft
- Visual Arts
- Woodworking
- Welding

FIND YOUR SPARK WITH A 4-H PROJECT



## **ZSuite 4-H Enrollment**

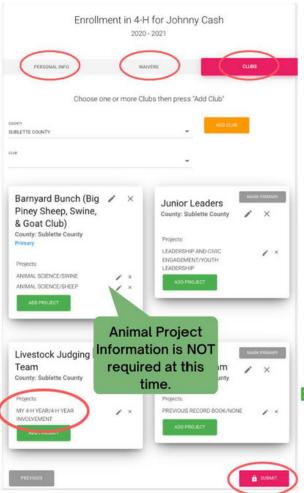
## **Existing Family Profile**

Enrollment must be done ANNUALLY to stay active in 4-H!

- 1.Go to <a href="https://4h.zsuite.org/">https://4h.zsuite.org/</a>
- Use the same email & password you used to sign up, select LOGIN
- 3. Choose the **PRIMARY ACCOUNT** to enroll 4-H Members
- 4. You will see a list of all the household members and their current enrollment status.
  - a. Red = INACTIVE 4-H Member
  - b. Green = ACTIVE 4-H Member
- Select the 4-H Member's Name you wish to update, select ENROLL MEMBER NOW



First Year 4-H Members, make sure to add the First Year Member "CLUB". This will waive the Registration Fee.





- 6. Fill out 4-H Member's info, select Continue
  Fill out PERSONAL INFO, select Next
  Fill out all six drop down WAIVERS, then select Next
  Dropdown to your CLUB, select Add Club
  - a. Select Add Project
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      - 1. Junior Leaders
      - 2. Livestock Judging Team
      - 3. Livestock Skillathon Team

make sure to add them as a Club.

i. ALL 4-H Members should Add MY 4-H
YEAR/MY 4-H YEAR INVOLVEMENT as a

Project in one Club, Select Add Project

Select Add to Cart and then you can either +Add
 Enrollment or Submit. Must be submitted to be complete.

Once submitted, your Enrollment will change from Pending Approval to Active when the Extension Office receives payment!



## ZSuite 4-H Enrollment

1.Go to <a href="https://4h.zsuite.org/">https://4h.zsuite.org/</a>

## **New Family Profile**

If you've never signed in to ZSuite before, follow these steps:

2. As a Family creating a new Profile, select SIGN UP a. Fill in all of the fields, select LET'S GO!

## Adding 4-H Members

You are now on the Dashboard tab

- Select + Household Member
- Fill out 4-H Member's info, select Continue
- 3 Fill out PERSONAL INFO. select Next
- 4 Fill out all six drop down WAIVERS, then select Next
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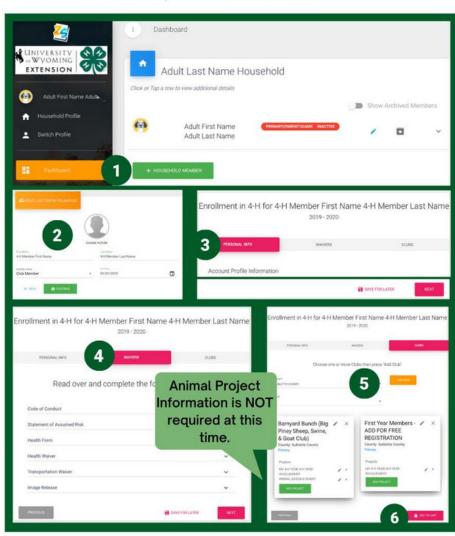
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WHO: 1st and 2nd Year 4-H Members and Families

WHAT: Dinner. 4-H Fun and 4-H Info

WHEN: November 16th at 5:30 PM

WHERE: Weston County Fairgrounds Event Center

WHY: Kick off the your 4-H career on the right foot! Join Erin and Kristi for dinner at the Events Center to learn more about 4-H. get your questions answered and be ready for a great 1st or 2nd year of Weston County 4-H!

RSVP: November 15th by calling 746-3531. emailing epersche@uwyo.edu or via Remind

## CLOVERBUDS

The 4-H Cloverbuds Program in the University of Wyoming's 4-H program is a non-formal education program designed for children ages 5-7. Participation, safety, personal development, learning and fun are the highest priorities for Cloverbuds programs. Cloverbuds is designed to introduce young people to cooperative learning and the many things they can do in 4-H. These programs are adult led, activity-focused, and are built on cooperative learning rather than competition. There are two different Cloverbud clubs that meet in Upton and Newcastle.

### **UPTON SCHEDULE**

November 14
January 16
February 13
March 19
April 16

You can join Upton Cloverbuds class at <a href="https://www.remind.com/join/u4htumble">https://www.remind.com/join/u4htumble</a> or by texting @u4htumble to 81010.

## **NEWCASTLE SCHEDULE**

November 16
Fairgrounds\*

January 18
February 15
March 21
April 18

You can join Tumbleweeds class at <a href="https://www.remind.com/join/n4htumble">https://www.remind.com/join/n4htumble</a> or by texting @n4htumble to 81010.

RSVP DEADLINE NOVEMBER 13TH @ NOON Scurrying Squirrels

Fall is here and cold weather is coming!

Come help the Scurrying Squirrels prepare for the long winter ahead!



## 2023 AGHIEVENIENT DA

## STATE EVENT RECOGNITION

## **NATIONAL EVENT** RECOGNITION

#### **Showcase Showdown**

- Anika Oleson
- John Sandrini
- Kayla Oleson
- Lane Carter
- Lilly Parsons
- Michael Carter
- Peter Keeler
- Tacie Carter

#### State Shoot

- Ethan Parsons
- Hunter Finley
- Samuel Ferguson
- Tanner Lenardson
- Tevon White
- Trevon White

#### State Fair

- Colby Rich
- Cooper Miller
- Dustin Boyer
- Evelyn Rosse
- Finnley Todd
- Indie Wuitschick
- Jace Rich
- JJ Lipp
- Jorie Miller
- Josephine Rodriguez
- Kinley Redding
- Laura Lipp
- Lilly Parsons
- Payton Overman
- Reagan Redding
- Serenity Kline
- Ty Stith

#### **Raton Shooting Sports Award Trip**

Samuel Ferguson

#### **National Shooting Sports Championship**

Trevon White

#### **CLOVERBUDS**

- Adeline Ohnstad
- Alice Keeler
- Alyssa Lamb
- Chaisley Hayman
- Charlie Pzinski
- Dierk Stearns
- Emma Schmidt
- Emmit Gregory
- Garrett Rosse
- Hailey Reiniger
- Jace Malsam

- Kashus Keller
- Lawrence Paulton
- Lilabeth Hach
- Reed Busenitz
- Richard Easton
- Samson Wolfe
- Sawyer Todd
- Taylor Lenardson Thatcher Benson
- Winona Rodriguez

### **1ST YEAR MEMBERS**

- Allie Easton
- Alora Zimiga
- Alyxia Rehling
- Anden Dixon
- Ava Malsam
- Brooklyn Guzman
- Charlie Briggs
- Clara Lipp
- Diesel Bloom
- Dominic Lanctot
- Hailey Tacy
- Henry Paulton
- Jorie Miller
- Josephine Rodriguez
- Kaia Pederson
- Kaiden Patik
- Kobi Patik
- Kori Hartinger

- Laila Vaughn
- Liam Gregory
- Lydia Carr
- Lydia Lanctot
- Madeline Lanctot
- Madison Wolfe
- Michael Carter
- Morgan Dixon
- Morgan Tysdal Piper Brubaker
- Quintin Rodriguez
- Robert Arroyos Ryker Shadley
- Teresa Lamb
- Troy Busenitz

## **GOLD MEMBERS**

**Adam Butler** Alora Zimiga Annaliese Butler Ashlynn Shuck **Ethan Parsons** Finnley Todd Heidi Sanford John Sandrini Laila Lopez

**Liam Gregory** Lillian Lopez Lillian Parsons Nickolas Lopez **Nolan Gregory** Rylan Fladstol Serenity Kline Wesson Prell

## SILVER MEMBERS

Aidan Butler Christine Swentesky **Evelyn Rosse** Hollie Swentesky **Hunter Finley** Jenna Whitney Jennifer Sanford

Josephine Rodriguez Kori Hartinger Peter Keeler Quintin Rodriguez Ryder Casler Samanth Finley



## **GREEN MEMBERS**

Adryan Wolfe Allie Easton Alyssa Morris Alyxia Rehling Anden Dixon Anika Oleson **Archer Ohnstad** Aspen Bloom Ava Malsam

Ashlynn Shroyer Benjamin Carter **Brady Christensen** Brayden Derifield **Brenton Waggener** Brooklyn Guzman **Brylee Caster** 

Callan Smith Canyon Farnsworth Carli Stolhammer **Charlie Briggs** Clancey Newlin Clara Lipp

Clay Sweet Coen Tavegie Colby Rich

Cole Wehri Connor Stolhammer

Cooper Miller Coralynn Jenkins **Dagan Thompson Diesel Bloom Dominic Lanctot Dustin Boyer-Huff** 

**Emeree Tavegie** Hadlee De La Rosa

**Hailey Tacy** Henry Paulton

Indie Wuitschick

Isaiah Anderson

Jace Rich

Jerome Lipp

Jessie Whitney

Jonathan Anderson

Jorie Miller

Josalyn Ritthaler

Josie Dean

Josie Smith

Joslyn Pischke

Julie Morris

Kaden Hall

Kaia Pederson

Kaiden Patik

Karla Wolfe

Kathryn Huber

Kayla Oleson

Kelly Cork

Kendra Merchen

Kinley Redding

Kobi Patik

Kole Zimmerman

**Kyler Cork** 

Laila Vaughn

Lane Carter

Laramie Patton

Laura Lipp

Levi Tysdal

Lily Patterson

Lydia Carr

Lydia Lanctot

Madeline Lanctot

Madilynn Derifield

Madison Wolfe

McCall Benson

Michael Carter

Millie Paulton

Morgan Dixon

Morgan Tysdal

Nicole Bloom

Oakley Checketts

Parker Stevens

**Payton Overman** 

Piper Brubaker

Pyper Arthur

Reagan Redding

Ridge Checketts

Riley Rich

**Robert Arroyos** 

Ryker Shadley

Rylee Loebe

Samuel Ferguson

Skylar Workman

**Tacie Carter** 

Tal Checketts

**Tanner Lenardson** 

**Tealah Stevenson** 

Teresa Lamb

**Tevon White** 

Trevon White

**Trinity Shroyer** 

**Troy Busenitz** 

Troy Christensen

Ty Stith

Vivian Cowger

Waylon Stolhammer

Wesley Ertman

Westin Stevenson

Xyla Rehling

## 2023 ACHIEVENIENT DAY

### **HONORS CLUB**

- Rylan Fladstol
- Laila Lopez
- John Sandrini



## **RECORD BOOK AWARDS**

## **Best 4-H Story**

• Junior: Alora Zimiga

• Intermediate: Ethan Parsons

Senior: Nick Lopez

### **Best Book**

• Junior: Lilly Parsons and Alora Zimiga

• Intermediate: Ethan Parsons

Senior: Nick Lopez and Laila Lopez

## LEADER RECOGNITION

## **1ST YEAR LEADERS**

Nastel Dean Glen Reed Kasi White

### **10 YEAR LEADERS**

Kami Lopez

## **30 YEAR LEADERS**

Cliff Abbott
Dick Rich
Bonnie Rich



## 4-H PROJECT NEWS

## FOODS AND NUTRITION PROJECT

November 10
Food, Fun & 4-H Workshop
2:00-4:00 PM
Extension Office
RSVP November 8th





## November 17 Cookie Workshop

2:00-4:00 PM

Come bake some fun Holiday cookiessome to take home and other for the First Northern Bank Open House



## First Northern Bank

of WYOMING

# December 1 Cookies for First Northern Bank Open House



First Northern Bank has asked Weston
County 4-H to bake the cookies for the
annual Open House. We need 20 dozen
cookies. This is a great community service
project. I would like to ask each Foods &
Nutrition member to bring a dozen cookies
to the office on November 30th. If you
would like to make more, please let me
know.



Behold the return of the mystical Food, Fun 4-H! As the leaves turn and the winds whisper tales of autumn's arrival, we invite you to join us on a journey of culinary delights. Delve into the mysteries of new recipes, bask in the warmth of family mealtime, and revel in the enchantment of 4-H, all at once! The magic begins anew in October, dear seeker.

Free to participate, groceries not included.

## REGISTER VIA THE QR CODE OR GO TO HTTPS://BIT.LY/3QOZBW9

Contact Kellie Chichester (307) 334-3534 or kelliec@uwyo.edu



Wyoming Food, Fun & 4-H was made possible by funding from the John P. Ellbogen Foundation Wyoming Communites, Agriculture, and Rural Living Project Grant from UW Extension.

# 4-H'ERS IN THE NEWS



### Jr. Grand Champion Hereford Female

Animal: DCLL Bazil 852K Sire: KLD RW Broxton D89 E Exhibitor: Cooper Miller Hometown: Newcastle, WY



## Jr. Supreme Champion Female

Animal: DCLL Bazil 852K Sire: KLD RW Broxton D89 E Exhibitor: Cooper Miller Hometown: Newcastle, WY



\*\*Please share when you are in the news with me so that I can share the good news!
Weston County 4-H'ers do great things!

## Jr. Livestock Committee

Next Meeting: February 7th @ 5:30 PM at Event Center



## **Fair Board**

Next Meeting:
November 13th
@ 6:30 PM
at Fairgrounds

Members:
David Kline
Billy Jackson
Francie Hamilton
Mason Kaiser
Teigen Marchant

## MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE COMMUNITY SERVICE CORNER



## What is Community Service?

Community Service is voluntary work intended to help others without any payment or benefit in return.

## WHY IS COMMUNITY SERVICE IMPORTANT?

Community Service teaches youth about the importance of giving back. It can strengthen a club or group. It boosts member commitment and involvement by giving members meaningful activiites. It fulfills the "hands to larger service" part of the 4-H Pledge.

Looking for ideas? Keep an eye on this page of the Chatter each month, talk to Erin, ask your club leader, teacher or parent and keep an eye out for events that are looking for volunteers.

#### **IDEAS**

- donate pet food to a local animal shelter or rescue
- clean up a vacant lot
- plant flowers in public areas
- visit a nursing home
- donate food to the local food bank
- deliver holiday cards to the senior center, nursing home, hospital, etc.
- Organize a food drive
- shovel snow for a neighbor

Weston County Senior Center

> Carolyn 746-4903

> > Weston County Food Banks

> > > **BREAD Office**

746-3542

**Upton Food Bank** 307-941-0553



Make It With Wool Contest November 12, 2023

**Entry Deadline** November 3, 2023



Niobrara County Fairgrounds, Lusk WY

## Open to Weston, Niobrara, Goshen, Converse and Natrona County Ages: 5 and up

#### Ob jectives:

- to promote the beauty and versatilty of wool fabrics, fibers and yarn
- to encourage personal creativity in sewing, knitting, crocheting, or felting with wool fabrics, fibers and yarns
- to recognize creative skills
- to develop life skills

## Age Divisions (as of January 1, 2022):

- Young Sewers age 5-7
- Pre-Teen age 8-12
- Junior age 13-16
- Senior age 17-24
- Adult age 25 and older

## Requirements:

- Completed Entry Form
- Cost: \$12 for each category entered
- Three 5"x5" sample of each wool used or three 36" lengths of each yarn used

## Categories

- Garmet
- Made for Others
- Wearable Accessoru
- Wool Quilt/Other Wool Art/Non-Wearables
- Young Sewer

For More Information Contact **Erin Persche** epersche@uwyo.edu or 307-746-3531

# BEHOLD THE SANCTUM OF SELFLESSNESS: THE VOLUNTEER CORNER

## **Volunteers Needed:**

### November:

- Volunteers to teach workshops in all project areas
- Help at Food, Fun 4-H
   Cooking Club on
   November 10th
- Help for Cookie
   Workshop on
   November 17th

## **General Needs:**

- Volunteers to teach workshops in all project areas
- Project leaders
- 4-H Camp volunteers
- Teen Leader project leader

\*Contact Erin via phone or email to volunteer for these activities\*

# **Shooting Sports Leader Meeting**

November 6th 6:00 PM Extension Office

Prepare for the 2024 Shooting Sports Season

## **Volunteer Training**

November 28th 6:00 PM Extension Office RSVP by 11/27

Each volunteer has to complete a training every 5 years that they are enrolled as a volunteer. New volunteers must also complete a training in their first year.

# BEHOLD THE SANCTUM OF SELFLESSNESS: THE VOLUNTEER CORNER



4-H Volunteers Lenders Parents Educators

Register today at bit.ly/reignite4-h

NOVEMBER 3-5 Cheyenne, W)

### **WORKSHOP TOPICS INCLUDE:**

- Finding You Spark
- Special Needs 4-H Members
- Geology Engagement
- Ropecraft
- Wyoming's Community Resources: Utilization and Partnerships
- Wyoming's Tech Future: Practically and Successfully Teaching Robotics
- Beyond Community Service:
   How to help youth make an impact in their community and themselves
- Outdoor Skills- Wyoming and National Shooting Sports
   Opportunity

- Decorating New Paths with Stained Glass
- Leathercraft Mentors
- Archery, Rifle & Pistol Wyoming State Certifications
- Stop the Bleed
- Fabric and Fashion Mastery Workshop
- New Volunteer Training
- 4-H Club Fun: Games and Activities Workshop
- Using Curriculum to Enhance Project and Club Meetings
- Cloverbuds Learn Something,
   Make Something, Eat Something
- Club Orgnaization Round Table



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### **Weston County Extension Website:**

https://wyoextension.org/westoncounty/



## **Weston Extension:**

https://www.facebook.com/WestonCountyExtension

### **Weston County 4-H:**

https://www.facebook.com/WESTONCOUNTY4H

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