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Showing Appreciation

It's after fair season and market animal project members are busy writing thank you notes to buyers. Appreciation for support in 4-H shouldn't stop there, whether you are in a market animal project or not. Many people help to make the 4-H program happen. It is important to stop every once in awhile and show appreciation for their help and everything they do.

One way you can show appreciation is a thank you card or letter. On page 9 of this newsletter, our Livestock Extension Educator, Samantha Ball, gives you tips on how to write a thank you note. These aren't just great tips for thanking a market sale buyer, but also your 4-H leader, an FFA advisor, your parents/other family members, someone who gave you materials to do your project, etc. Now is a great time to drop them a note and tell them what you learned and how your project turned out.

Gifts or acts of kindness are another way to show appreciation. Giving an item (something small and inexpensive is best) or helping with a chore is a nice way to show someone that you value their time and resources. A note with the item or act of kindness is still suggested. This helps to make your point and ensure that the person understands how much you appreciate them.

One of the most powerful ways you can show appreciation is by telling someone face-to-face (or with a phone call/video chat if circumstances don't permit). Seeing your face and the sincerity in your eyes can really be powerful and meaningful. A lot of the tips in the thank you note information on page 9 can also work for a verbal thank you.

No matter how you choose to show appreciation, remember to tailor it the person you are thanking. Their personality can affect how they will react, and everyone is different. For example, some people like being publicly thanked and others do not. So be sure to know the preferences of the person before you approach them.

Showing appreciation should be done throughout the year and often. Remember that it is important to let people know frequently that you appreciate what they do.

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4-H Event Calendar

September

- 6 Closed—Labor Day
 - 9 Canyon County 4-H Leaders’ Council Meeting - 7pm—[Meeting ID: 81337951805](#)
 - 14 Southern District Youth Horse Camp Directors Meeting - 6:00pm—[Meeting ID: 876 6747 1604](#)
 - 14 SD Youth Horse Council Meeting - 7pm [Meeting ID: 876 6747 1604](#)
 - 27 Canyon County 4-H Horse Leaders’ Meeting - 7pm - [Meeting ID: 838 6325 1133](#)
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October

- 1 **Start of the 2021-2022 4-H Year!**
 - 3-9 National 4-H Week!
 - 11 Closed—Columbus Day
 - 19 Canyon County 4-H Market Livestock Sale Committee Meeting - 7pm - Canyon County Ext.
 - 20 Canyon County 4-H Endowment Meeting - 7pm - Canyon County Extension
 - 25 Canyon County 4-H Horse Leaders’ Council Meeting - 7pm
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NEEDED *For The 2021/2022 4-H Year*

Below are known needs as we move into our new 4-H year. Please consider helping out or spreading the word to help Canyon County 4-H fill these needs:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| ⇒ New Clubs | ⇒ STEP project volunteers |
| ⇒ Sewing & stem project volunteers | ⇒ Volunteer leadership roles (non-club) |
| ⇒ Certified shooting sport volunteers | |

Call 208-459-6003 TODAY!

Beef Halters from Fair



*Have you picked up your beef halter yet from the 2021 Canyon County Fair? If not, we possibly have it here at the office. **Please come in and take a look.***

LOST & FOUND ITEMS—From Canyon County Fair

Did you lose something at the Canyon County Fair this year? If so, it may be here in the lost and found box at the office. Give us a call and we will check for you. We also have Market Sale animal water buckets. County maintenance picked them up after the animals were all gone.



Important Dates to Remember



September

17 Working Ranch Horse RSVP Due

October

- 1 National 4-H Congress Scholarship Due
- 1 Application for Idaho Key Award Due

- 1 Application for I Dare You Award Due
- 1 Application for County Medal Awards Due
- 1 Nomination Due for 2021 Friend of 4-H
- 1 Make It With Wool Registration Due
- 1 **4-H Enrollments Open for 2021-2022 year**

Market Livestock Sale Checks

Checks for the Canyon County Market Livestock Sale will be mailed out to individual youth members whose sponsors have paid in full.

Please remember to send your thank you cards promptly to your buyers.



Club Financial Summaries & Audits



At the conclusion of each 4-H year, 4-H clubs and entities are required to submit a Financial Summary and Financial Audit to the Extension Office. These are due by **November 1**. Please read and follow the audit guidelines carefully. Clubs may lose their 4-H status if they fail to submit these forms in a timely manner.

As a reminder, members will not be able to order project materials or re-enroll until their club's Financial Summary and Financial Audit are turned in to the Extension Office. You can find this report at www.uidaho.edu/extension/county/canyon/4-h. Please contact the Canyon County Extension Office if you have any questions.

Canyon County 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting via Zoom

Please mark your calendar for the next 4-H Leaders' Council meeting for Thursday, **September 9** at 7pm **via zoom**. To join the Zoom meeting: <https://uidaho.zoom.us/j/81337951805>. To join via telephone: +1 253 215 8782; Meeting ID: 813 3795 1805.

Thank you to AmeriCorps Members!

We would like to extend our thank you to our two summer AmeriCorps members, Ilene Holguin and Sofia Duenas. Together they reached 232 youth with 6 or more hours of 4-H programming this summer. In addition, they reached even more youth with short-term programming. Their service as AmeriCorps members in the Canyon County Extension Office and with Canyon County 4-H is greatly appreciated!



2021 Idaho Youth State Horse Contest Results

HORSE JUDGING

Junior Teams

3rd Ranchers & Riders (mixed County team)
Kayla A., and Rex A., Ranchers & Riders

Top Junior Individuals

3rd Rex A., Ranchers & Riders

Top Intermediate Individuals

2nd Kayla A., Ranchers & Riders

HIPPOLOGY

Junior Teams

2nd Ranchers & Riders (mixed County team)
Kayla A. and Rex A., Ranchers & Riders

Junior Hippology Individuals

1st Kayla A., Ranchers & Riders

Junior Top Examination Phase

1st Kayla A., Ranchers & Riders

Junior Top Stations Phase

1st Kayla A., Ranchers & Riders

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Intermediate Individual Demonstration

3rd Ella B., Ranchers & Riders

HORSE BOWL

Junior Teams

1st Ranchers & Riders
Kayla A., Ruby B., Syeirah B., and Sariah G.

Top Junior Individuals

1st Sariah G., Ranchers & Riders

3rd Kayla A., Ranchers & Riders

Senior Teams

2nd JC Riders (mixed County team)
Riley S., Saddle Tramps

Top Senior Individuals

3rd Riley S., Saddle Tramps

2021 Annual 4-H Horse Leaders Retreat

*This event is for Volunteers and Parents (must be 18 years old to attend).
Bring your horse and join in on the fun!*

September 10-12, 2021 (arrive after 12pm on September 10)

Washington County Fairgrounds, Cambridge, ID

\$30/person and a **covered dish to share** with 15

Retreat Theme for 2021 — *It's about kids and horses on a journey of discovery and achieving goals!*

*For registration information and questions, contact
Gail Duke at 208-793-3274 or Dixie Christensen at 208-941-3032.*



Canyon County Horse Leaders Meeting via zoom

Please calendar the next Horse Leaders meeting for Monday, **September 27** at **7pm** via **zoom**. To join the Zoom meeting: <https://uidaho.zoom.us/j/83863251133>. To join via telephone: +1 253 215 8782; Meeting ID: 838 6325 1133.



Congratulations New Certified Volunteers!

Versie Shoenecker, Sunny Ridge 4-H

Thank You!

A big THANK YOU to all the leaders, volunteers, superintendents, parents, market livestock buyers and 4-H youth who enthusiastically gave their time and effort to assist with this year's Canyon County Fair.

We appreciate you!



2021 Canyon County Judging Contests

Congratulations to the top teams participating in the 2021 Canyon County Judging Contests!

Livestock Judging Teams:

- 1st—Saddle Tramps
- 2nd—Little Explorers
- 3rd—Parma FFA

Dairy Judging Teams:

- 1st—Nampa FFA
- 2nd—Saddle Tramps
- 3rd—Crafty Critters

2021-2022 Southern District Working Ranch Horse Program

Youth are invited to join the 18th year of the Working Ranch Horse Program. This program is for youth who are currently enrolled in 4-H with applicable horse experience and skills.

The WRH program is designed to:

- preserve and promote the skills, traditions and values of the western cattle ranching culture
- provide opportunities for youth to gain knowledge and “hands-on” experience handling, understanding, and roping cattle
- learn to appreciate the necessity, usefulness, and pleasure of riding a responsive working ranch horse

The WRH program includes seven monthly Sunday afternoon clinics from September through May (except October and December), a year-end event and other possible cattle working opportunities.

ASTM-SEI Approved helmets are required when mounted on an equine or in a vehicle pulled by an equine. No exceptions.

For returning members: the first clinic will be **September 26, 2021**, noon-3pm, location TBA.

All NEW members (*and returning members with new horses*) **must bring their horses** for a riding evaluation prior to joining the program. **All horses must have a negative Coggins test to participate.** The WRH committee will determine if skills to safely participate in the program can be demonstrated by eligible youth. Basic riding skills include walk, trot, lope, stop and back, as well as riding one handed.

New Member Mandatory Orientation Meeting

Sunday, **September 26, 2021** from 9am-11:30am
Location: TBA. **RSVP by September 17.**

September 26 is the **ONLY** orientation offered for this year and is **MANDATORY** for all **new members**. Email Rebecca Mills if that doesn't work for you.

For more information and to confirm your attendance at the orientation/clinic, email Rebecca Mills, University of Idaho Extension, Gem and Boise Counties, at rmills@uidaho.edu.



Top 4-H Youth Leadership Awards

Due **October 1**

There are a number of awards that honor 4-H members for their outstanding overall contributions and abilities. Two of these awards are awarded in the fall: the **Idaho Key Award** and the **I Dare You Award**. Applications for these awards are due **October 1** to the Extension Office.

The **Idaho Key Award** gives recognition to 4-H members who have achieved significant leadership on both the club and county level. It is open to youth who have passed their 15th birthday by January 1 of the current year, have completed four years of 4-H work (including the current year) and have completed one year of teen leadership. The award is a gold key and a certificate. The wearer of the Idaho 4-H Key can

be proud of his/her contribution to their club and community. Youth can complete an application found at the Canyon County Extension Office. Applications can be emailed on request.

The **I Dare You** award gives recognition to 4-H members of excellent character, well-balanced personal development and demonstrated qualities of constructive leadership. Nominees must be either in their junior or senior year of school. Award recipients will receive a certificate and a copy of *I Dare You!* by William H Danforth. Award recipients are also eligible to apply for a scholarship to attend the National American Youth Foundation (AYF) Leadership Conference. The application process for this award is through leader recommendations.

Special County Medal Awards

Due **October 1**

4-H members have an opportunity to receive special recognition for the 2020/2021 4-H year by applying for a County Medal Award. 4-H members who received a blue ribbon on their Fair exhibit or a gold award on their interview evaluation, are eligible to apply. County Medals are available for all project areas.

County Medal Awards are designed to recognize outstanding achievement in a member's total 4-H experience, above and beyond the project level at the Fair. It takes into account the development of the youth in areas of goal setting, accomplishments, knowledge and skills gained, leadership and citizenship, communication and promotion. Some project areas can be combined at the discretion of the County Awards Committee.

Applications are available at the Canyon County Extension Office and can be emailed upon request.

Application Requirements:

- Must have exhibited at the current county Fair.
- Must have received a blue ribbon or a gold medal on the project.
- Must have a 4-H Leader recommendation returned by **October 1**.
- Application must be returned by **October 1**.
- Award eligibility is based on a point system.
- The number of medals a 4-H member (by age category) can apply for are: Junior (2); Intermediate (4); and Senior (6).
- There is no limit to the number of times a member may be awarded the same County Medal.

Wanted: Clubs (new or old) for New Members



As a result of 4-H being such a positive influence on our youth today, each year we have a growing list of youth that are interested in joining 4-H. We like to place youth in clubs close to their homes and that have similar interests to them.

Unfortunately many of the established clubs are not accepting new members.

If you would like information on starting a new club, or will be accepting new members in your established club, please call Tina at the Canyon County Extension Office at 208-459-6003.

Make it with Wool Contest

Do you just LOVE wool? If so, you are invited to participate in this year's Idaho Make it with Wool Contest. Entries can be stitched with woolen fabric, knit or crocheted with wool yarn or created through felting techniques with wool. This year the contest is a "Mail In" contest. Entries are due **October 1**. All the information and entry forms can be found at www.idahowoolgrowers.org/miww. Divisions are:



Pre-Teen: 12 & Under	Junior: 13-16	Senior: 17-24	Adult: 25 & older
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Every contestant will receive Pendleton wool yardage and other gifts. If you have questions, please contact Kim Monk, Idaho Make It With Wool Director at kmonk8687@gmail.com.

Congrats 2021-2022 Idaho 4-H STAC Southern District Representative

The 2021 Idaho 4-H State Teen Association Conference was a great success! Over **80** youth were in attendance this year, along with **25** adults, including **10** chaperones and **6** college staff, for a total of over **121** at the State Convention!

Congratulations to Canyon County Delegate Luke G. from Shooting Stars 4-H, the newly elected 2022 Southern District Representative for the Idaho 4-H State Teen Association.



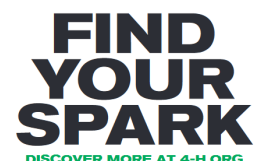
Interview Evaluation

We would like to offer our appreciation to everyone that helped out during our Interview Evaluations. Because of your effort and dedication, the Canyon County 4-H Program is thriving!

National 4-H Week

The first full week in October each year is National 4-H week. This year that week is **October 3-9, 2021**. What a great way to kick off the new 4-H year! The theme this year is *Find Your Spark!*

Get ready to have FUN!



2021 County Oral Presentation Results

ORAL PRESENTATION

Family & Consumer Science/Misc

Junior I

1st Charlotte B., *Busy Bugs*

2nd Theodore B., *Busy Bugs*

Congratulations!

Livestock/Agriculture

Junior 2

1st Shira K., *Sunny Ridge 4-H*

Intermediate

1st Ella B., *Ranchers & Riders*

2nd Krista T., *PawsAbilities*

Senior

1st Kiley R., *Vallivue 4-H*

2021 Canyon County Style Revue Results

Constructed Garment

Junior I

1st Hazel C., *Middleton Wranglers*

Junior II

1st Ella D., *Middleton Wranglers*

2nd Bodee W., *Middleton Wranglers*

Intermediate

1st Ximena P., *Purple Sage 4-H*

2nd Clayton C., *Middleton Wranglers*

Senior

1st Riley S., *Saddle Tramps*

2nd Simon C., *Middleton Wranglers*

Purchased Garment

Cloverbud

Zoreatha S., *Kaveman Kritters*

Junior

1st Shira K., *Sunny Ridge 4-H*

2nd Josie S., *Hooves and Dreams*

Intermediate

1st Baylee S., *Hooves and Dreams*

2nd Julia H., *Kaveman Kritters*

Senior

1st Delenn B., *Clever Clovers*

2nd Jackson H., *Kaveman Kritters*

Kudos to Clubs

A big thank you and shout out goes to the following clubs/chapters for leaving their feed/equipment stalls in immaculate condition (totally cleaned, trash/hay free, and RAKED) after the Canyon County Fair. If your club is not on this list, please spend a few more minutes on cleaning up your stalls next year and please make sure to rake them. Thank you!

- Middleton Mavericks
- Critters of Gold
- Kid Venture
- Fantastic 5-Milers
- Purple Sage
- Parma FFA

Mark Your Calendars for CALS Days 2021

September 24-26

University of Idaho, Moscow

Come visit the Moscow campus for our annual *Explore a Future in Agriculture, Food, Family and Consumer Sciences weekend!* This event will offer high school students the change to experience college life, compete in judging and skill events,

meet faculty, staff and students and discover all there is to know about UI CALS. Registration and schedule of events are found at: uidaho.edu/cals-days.

For more information call 208-855-7984 or email cals-advising@uidaho.edu.

Celebrate Idaho Agriculture!

Know Before You Show!

By: Samantha Ball



Congrats!!! You made it through Fair... but there is still more that needs to be done. If your youth showed an animal at the Fair thank you letters need to be sent out, especially if an animal was sold. So... I have created a quick guide for your youth to write a well thought out thank you letter to their supporters.

Parts of a Thank You note:

1. Heading
2. Greeting
3. Body
4. Closing
5. Signature

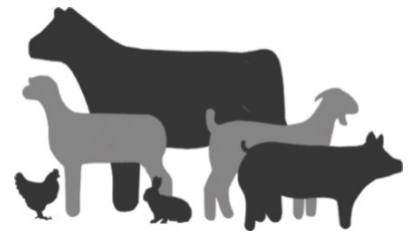


Things to write about in your Thank You note:

- Why are you thankful?
- What was your favorite part of your project?
- What will you be doing with the money? *(if your animal was sold)*
- How has this project impacted your future goals?
- What are your plans next year?
- What do you remember most about having your project?

Thank You Letter Checklist

- I wrote complete sentences.
- I included examples that show why I am thankful.
- I capitalized the first letter of each sentence.
- I used correct punctuation at the end of each sentence.
- I included all the parts of a letter:
 - * Heading, greeting, body, closing, and signature
- I wrote neatly. Typing is also acceptable.
- I read my work to make sure my writing makes sense.



Canyon County Market Livestock Sale Committee Meeting

The next MLSC meeting is being rescheduled to **October 19** at 7pm. You are invited to attend in person at the Canyon County Extension Office. The Bylaw changes will be presented at this time. — **Face coverings are REQUIRED.**

Thank you for the Buyers' Breakfast Centerpieces

A HUGE thank you goes out to all 4-H Clubs who brought the wonderful decorations for the Buyers breakfast tables. This simple jester extends a welcome to the many buyers who support our youth. Every effort we make to encourage buyers to attend the livestock sale is an extra plus for the fair. **Thank you for making this happen!**



2021 Cascade Lake 4-H Camp Annual Fundraiser

You are invited to the Annual Fundraiser and Gathering in support of Cascade Lake 4-H Camp!

For 56 years, Cascade Lake 4-H Camp has been providing a safe, comfortable and accessible camp facility for Idaho youth.

Join us for our annual event to raise funds for Cascade Lake 4-H Camp so we can continue hosting future generations of happy campers.

Saturday, October 2, 2021

Indian Creek Winery

1000 N. McDermott Rd, Kuna, ID

4pm: Live music and silent auction begins

5pm: Dutch oven dinner is served

6pm: Auction winners announced



Our annual gathering brings together current and past generations of campers, as well as long-time camp supporters, for a delicious dinner, live music by The River Brothers' Band, silent and live auctions, and a fun evening for the whole family.

To reserve your spot, visit www.cascadelake4hcamp.com or email contact@cascadelake4hcamp.com. Unable to attend? You can still **make a tax-deductible donation** to Cascade Lake 4-H Camp via PayPal at www.cascadelake4hcamp.com or mail a check to: Cascade Lake 4-H Camp, 217 W. Georgia Ave., Ste. 100, Nampa, ID 83686.

Happy Camping!

Fall Work Weekend at Cascade Lake 4-H Camp



The fall work weekend will take place on Saturday, **September 11**, and Sunday, **September 12**. You are welcome to arrive at camp on Friday, **September 10**, to help winterize the camp and work on other ongoing projects while enjoying the fall weather in Donnelly. Cabins are available. **September 3** is the **deadline** to **RSVP** to Kathy at 208-467-3237 or email contact@cascadelake4hcamp.com. All youth must be accompanied by an adult. **COME JOIN THE FUN!**

2021 Friend of 4-H

Each year Canyon County recognizes an individual, organization, agency or company that has supported the 4-H program in an outstanding way. This is not usually a 4-H volunteer as we have other awards for them. Below is a nomination form. Please fill it out, detach, and return it to the Canyon County Extension Office by **October 1**.

I would like to nominate _____ as the 2021 "Friend of 4-H" award recipient because (please give enough information for evaluation):

Thank You Snake River Stampede Breakfast & Concessions Volunteers

A big *THANK YOU* to everyone and every club that volunteered at this year's Buckaroo Breakfast and Snake River Stampede Concessions fundraisers. We appreciate the dedication from our 4-H clubs across the county that stepped up and brought extra help. Many families volunteered multiple nights to raise funds for Canyon County 4-H. *It was a great year and we look forward to next year!*

Thank you to the following individuals who organized and chaired the fundraisers.

Breakfast - Steve Jackson and Kaley Beverlin

Concessions Team - Danece Whitley, Barbara Negri, Dylan Fuller, Joline Lehto and Ed Whitley

Volunteers, YOU ROCK !!!

- Baa...d Company
- Busy Bugs
- Clever Clovers
- Clover Quest
- Cowpokes
- Crafty Critters
- Critters of Gold
- Destined to be a Kid
- Fantastic 5-milers
- Farm to Table
- Happy Valley Livestock
- Hooves and Dreams
- Kaveman Kritters
- Middleton Mavericks
- Middleton Wranglers
- Painted Pony
- Parma Partners
- Primetime 4-H
- Ranchers & Riders
- Red Top Wranglers
- Saddle Tramps
- Sagebrush Cowboys
- Shooting Stars
- Sunny Ridge 4-H
- Trail Blazers
- Vallivue 4-H
- Janelle Davis
- Faith Goodwin
- Alexa & Tina Holmquist
- Jacen, Katie & Wendy Larsen
- Joseph Thacker
- Wyatt Thompson

Special Thanks to FFA and Ada County Clubs for helping during the week:

- Little Explorers
- Spikes & Fur
- Nampa FFA

Indian Creek Festival

Saturday, **September 18**
Downtown Caldwell

Join the fun at the 19th Annual Caldwell Indian Creek Festival. Festival activities on Saturday begin with the 7am car show and the Fireman's Pancake Breakfast. The Marketplace and Food Court open at 10am. At 11am fun starts with the Tomato Taste Off, Chalk the Block, and the 4-H Kiddie Corner. The Kayak Races start at 2pm and the day ends with the Dirt Road Dancing Competition at 3pm. **All 4-H Clubs are encouraged to participate!**

Don't miss Friday's events starting with Mayor Nancolas' dedication of TVCC. The Car Cruise at

7pm in downtown Caldwell and oldies on the Plaza with JR & The Stingrays from 6-9pm. For details see the Indian Creek Plaza website at [Indian Creek Festival](#).

Teen and Adult volunteers are needed on Saturday, **September 18** from 10am-3pm. Volunteers can work a few hours or all day. Help is needed for set up, helping children with art activities and clean up. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Tina at tinah@uidaho.edu.



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*Thank you to Everyone
who made the 2020/2021
4-H year a great experience
for all of our youth!*



*We need more 4-H Clubs
and volunteers to place new
youth wanting to join 4-H.
Please consider helping out!*

REMINDER

October 1 New 2021-2022 4-H year begins
November 1 Club Financial Summaries and
Audits are due

WORKING RANCH HORSE

Contact Rebecca Mills for more information
rmills@uidaho.edu or 208-365-6363

