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LATAH COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

"To Make the Best Better"

LATAH COUNTY 4-H OFFICE

Congratulations to every Latah County 4-H member who successfully completed their projects for the 2019-2020 year! Most of you showcased your work at the Latah County 4-H General Project and Livestock Weekend—you did an outstanding job and it was so enjoyable to be able to come together for such a fun weekend. Thank you for helping make this event both safe and successful!

On October 1, we moved into the 2020-2021 4-H year. We look forward to having you all return as 4-H members and leaders this year and are eager to welcome new families in the program. While I know many of us are catching our breath from our modified "fair" in September, do keep in mind that enrollment for the current year begins right away. You can read more about enrolling in the new year on page 2.

Our office is busy closing out the most recent 4-H year, preparing and submitting yearend reports, and rolling out information and plans for the coming year. In mid-October, I will be attending the State 4-H In-Service in Boise and will participate in the National 4-H Conference, which will be hosted virtually by Idaho this year.

Lastly, please mark your calendars for November 15 and join us in celebrating the end of the year and all our member's accomplishments. Stay tuned for additional details on the event itself. Award applications are available on our website now, so please apply.

As always, thank you for your hard work, dedication, and commitment to "making the best better". You have all shown how creative and adaptable you can be in the face of adversity, and we look forward to another exciting year for the 4-H program.

Sara Fluer **Associate Extension Educator UI Extension, Latah County**

CLUB FINANCIAL AUDITS



Annual club financial summaries and audits are due no later than **November 1**. This process is required of each of the 1000+ clubs across Idaho and is an essential part of our annual statewide and federal reporting.

The following documents must be turned into Latah County Extension to close out the 4-H year:

- 1. Annual Financial Summary
- 2. Annual Financial Audit Committee Certification
- 3. Financial Audit Form Checklist

<u>PLUS</u> - a copy of your club's most recent bank statement.

All club leaders received the required documentation via email on 10/2/2020. We will be sending email reminders to leaders regularly during October.

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GENERAL 4-H NEWS

ANNUAL ENROLLMENT

On October 1, we officially rolled into the 2020-2021 4 -H year. You are not considered a 4-H member or leader until you complete enrollment through 4-H Online. Make a habit of marking your calendar each fall—enrollment is done annually.

*SYSTEM UPDATE: 4-H Online will be closed for system-wide updates to Version 2.0 beginning on Sept. 28 and will be inaccessible during this time. The system should be up and running around Oct. 10.

- Go to www.4honline.com
- Login to your 4-H Online account with your existing credentials. Do not create a new account if you are a returning member or leader.
- With the 2.0 upgrade, you may be asked to reset your password.
- Update your contact information.
- Update your project list! This helps us plan for fair each year. Be sure to add any new projects to your profile and drop any projects you are no longer doing.

*Activate your enrollment by paying your dues via check, cash, or credit card over the phone:

General Members: \$25Horse Members: \$30

Leaders: \$5

Family Cap (3+ members): \$75

*Members are not covered by 4-H accident insurance until dues are paid!



4-H RESOURCES, DOCUMENTS & RECORDS

The new 4-H year is a great time to review all the resources available to 4-H families. Check out the UI Extension 4-H Youth Development website for more! https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/documents-records

A few things to make note of on this website:

- Idaho 4-H Policies & Procedures—the most current version is Oct. 1, 2020-Sept. 30, 2022. Review and keep a copy on hand. It is the responsibility of all members, leaders, and parents/guardians to follow these policies and procedures.
- Idaho 4-H Project Requirements Handbook—not sure what is required of your specific project? Use the project requirement handbook to answer your questions!
- Club documents & resources—annual plan templates, financial summary forms, Parliamentary Procedure, officer handbooks, etc.
- Information for major statewide events such as STAC, KYG, Ambassadors, National 4-H Congress, and more!

HOW TO STAY UP TO DATE

- Check your email regularly. Email is the quickest and most efficient way to reach 4-H families. Not quite sure who to expect emails from?
 - 1) 4-H Online bulk email list serve
 - 2) UI Extension 4-H Educator, Sara Fluer
 - 3) Your 4-H club and project leaders
- ✓ Keep your project list up to date in 4-H Online. Much of our communication is project-based. If you haven't enrolled in a certain project, you will not receive updates from the Extension office and may miss information from your leader(s).
- ✓ Read the 4-H Newsletter. Find previous editions on our website: https://www.uidaho.edu/ extension/county/latah/4-h
- ✓ Follow <u>Latah County 4-H</u> on Facebook.



4-H AMBASSADOR NEWS

Teens, take your leadership and 4-H promotion skills to the next level and become a 4-H Ambassador!

Idaho 4-H Ambassadors are youth leaders who promote 4-H using their skills, knowledge and leadership abilities. They serve to strengthen the 4-H program through education, recruitment and public relations. District 4-H Ambassador Retreats are geared for

NORTHERN 4-H AMBASSADOR

younger teens (seventh grade or older). Workshops focus on life skills with a yearly theme (Head, Heart, Hands or Health).

The 2020 Idaho 4-H Ambassador Summit has been postponed to Nov. 12-14, 2021.

The Ambassador Steering Committee is working hard to enhance the quality of programs for the District Retreats.

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LATAH COUNTY AWARDS

Award applications for 2020 are available on the UI Extension, Latah County 4-H website: https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/county/latah/4-h/forms

There are lots of great awards to apply for this year. Friday, October 30 is the deadline for all applications.

Join us at our year-end County Awards Night on November 15 to celebrate the accomplishments of all our outstanding 4-H members!

Apply Now for the Awards Below:

- Latah County Comprehensive Award—Latah County 4-H Leaders Council sponsors this award, which includes a comprehensive pin, plague, and \$200.
- Gerald & Grace Ingle Memorial Award—Latah County
 Pomona Grange, No. 17 sponsors this cash award, funded
 by Gerald Ingle Memorial Fund.
- Pomona Award—application is a recommendation from organizational or project leader. The Pomona Grange sponsors this award.

Beef Award Sponsors: Idaho Angus Auxiliary and Idaho Cattle Association

- Black Angus Breeding Project Award—Latah County 4-H & FFA members eligible.
- Black Angus Market Project Award—Latah County 4-H & FFA members eligible.
- Idaho Cattle Association Superior Beef Belt Buckle
 Award—Latah County 4-H & FFA members eligible.

Northern District Ambassador Retreat

- January 16-18, 2021—Sandpoint, ID
- Open to active, enrolled Idaho 4-H youth who are 13 years (as of Jan. 1) or have completed 6th grade.
- Cost: \$60
- Registration open in 4-H Online Nov. 9 Dec. 21
- Theme: Health. 4-H Health is for healthy living and lifestyles. Learn more about social-emotional, mental, and physical healthy choices—all of which impact personal safety.

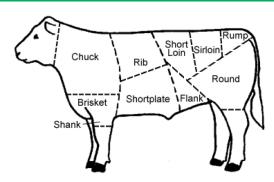
Please visit https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/events/ambassador-retreats for more information on the District Retreats.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

CARCASS CONTEST

Vandal Brand Meats is working to organize a virtual carcass show for Latah County 4-H and FFA Market Beef members. Date and details TBA. Please tentatively hold the week of October 19 for the carcass show.

This is an exciting opportunity for beef members to learn about the carcass data from their actual beef project! Thanks to Vandal Brand Meats for being willing to organize this educational event each year.



FAIR PHOTOS

Kai Eiselein Photography was on site during 2020 Livestock Weekend to take photos. Visit https://www.palousesports.com/proofing to order photos.

THANK YOU NOTES

In addition to your buyer from the sale, there are many other individuals and businesses who helped make the 2020 Livestock Weekend possible.

Receiving a sincere thank you will go a long way towards making sure individuals/businesses include the 4-H program in their plans for next year. Sponsorship does not just "happen," it is something that donors budget and plan for all year long. Be sure to send them a note of appreciation!

Latah County Commissioners: Tom Lamar, Kathie LaFortune, Dave McGraw for clearing the way to make the weekend possible, when the public parts of the Fair had to be canceled.

PO Box 8068, Moscow, ID 83843

Cheetah Electric for sponsoring tickets for the haircut program, and for their cash awards drawing. 206 W Morton St, Moscow, ID 83843

Paradise Lodge #17 AF&AM, Potlatch Chapter #48 OES for sponsoring tickets for the haircut program. PO Box 9052, Moscow, ID 83843

ReMax for sponsoring the swine show. 776 Indian Hills Dr, Moscow, ID 83843

Rosauers Supermarkets for the gift cards for Grand and Reserve winners.
411 N Main St, Moscow, ID 83843

PotlatchDeltic for sponsoring the beef show. 301 D Street Suite A, Lewiston, ID 83501 Bennett Lumber Products for donating the shavings. PO Box 130, Princeton, ID 83857

Latah Sanitation for removing the used shavings. 401 N Jackson St., Moscow, ID 83843

Latah Market Animal Sale Sponsors
The McGregor Company

PO Box 740, Colfax, WA 99111

Washington Trust Bank 222 E Troy Rd, Moscow, ID 83843

Pape Machinery 1906 S Main St, Moscow, ID 83843

Moscow RV Center 1303 S Logan St, Moscow, ID 83843

Bear Creek Equipment 1105 Deer Rd, Deary, ID 83823

COVID-19 & 4-H PROGRAM PROTOCOLS

IDAHO REBOUNDS PLAN

Idaho 4-H will be following the Governor's four-phase plan, <u>Idaho Rebounds</u>, and all associated protocols. Additionally, Latah County is subject to any local public health orders in place through the County and any of the City governments.

STAGE 4 - (June 13-present)

Gatherings, both public and private, of more than 50 people, where appropriate physical distancing and precautionary measures are observed can occur. 4-H Events may resume only if meeting protocols can be met.

Protocol:

- Group size 50+
- Disinfect the meeting space, especially high touch surfaces.
- Face coverings for youth, volunteers and staff are highly encouraged (required within Moscow city limits)
- Maintain social distance of 6' or more. We recommend meeting outdoors if possible.
- Handwashing stations and hand sanitizer will be made available to all participants.

CITY OF MOSCOW EMERGENCY PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER

The City of Moscow has extended an emergency public health order to January 2021 requiring the use of face coverings and physical distancing of 6' within Moscow city limits. If your club or project group meets in Moscow, please plan accordingly.

LEADER'S CORNER

Upcoming Meetings for Horse Leaders, LEADER TRAINING Livestock Leaders, & Leader's Council for 2020-2021 4-H year:

- November 23
- January 25
- March 22
- **May 24**
- July 26
- September 27

Meetings will be held at the Latah County Fairgrounds unless otherwise noted. Groups meet as follows:

- Horse Leaders—5:30 pm
- Livestock Leaders—6:00 pm
- Leaders Council—6:30 pm

Returning leaders, to maintain your certification for the 2020-2021 4-H year, you must:

- Enroll in the new 4-H year in 4-H Online.
- Complete the Protecting Minors Training—it can be done in 4-H Online during enrollment. It takes less than 20 minutes and automatically records the date completed.
- Complete at least 2 additional hours of training related to 4-H, youth development, or your project area. Some ideas:
 - * CALS Speaker Series—Temple Grandin lecture. Found on UI website.
 - Stewards of Children—offered through Gritman Medical Center. We will reimburse you the cost of the class if you provide proof of attendance.
 - Super Saturday Leader Training in collaboration with Clearwater, Nez Perce, Idaho and Lewis Counties—Spring 2021.
 - Stay tuned for additional opportunities offered through the Extension office.

4-H CALENDAR 2020-2021

OCTOBER

1—Start of 2020-2021 4-H year

NOVEMBER

- 1—Club Financial Audits Due
- 2—KYG Registration opens in 4-H Online
- 9—Registration opens in 4-H Online for Ambassador Retreat
- 15—County Awards Night
- 23—Leader's Council Meeting

DECEMBER

• 21—Registration closes for Ambassador Retreat

JANUARY

- 6—KYG Registration closes in 4-H Online
- 16-18—Northern District Ambassador Retreat
- 25—Leader's Council Meeting

FEBRUARY

- 13-15—Know Your Government Conference—Boise
- 21—Model Horse Show

MARCH

- 6—Horse Bowl
- 22—Leader's Council Meeting

More 2021 dates to be released in the coming months. Stay tuned!

