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LATAH COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

"To Make the Best Better"

LATAH COUNTY 4-H OFFICE

Happy almost Spring (maybe)! Last weekend we had the Model Horse Show and had 20 participants! WOW! A huge thank you to Anita Falen for helping organize the event and coordinate so many donations from Hodgins for awards! Great job to all the youth that participated! I also had the opportunity to attend the Moscow FFA Alumni fundraiser, which was so much fun, and I'm looking forward to the Troy FFA Alumni Dinner this Saturday (after Super Saturday, of course)!

I will be out of the office a few days at the end of this month to compensate for our weekend activities this spring. However, if you have any questions, you can still call the office or e-mail me! Ember and Zoey are outstanding resources when I'm unavailable!!

-Jessie Van Buren

COMPLETE YOUR ENROLLMENT!

Enrollment for 2023 is open in <u>ZSuite</u>. If you already have a ZSuite account, use your existing family account. <u>Do not</u> create a new account. Enrollment is not considered COMPLETE until your dues are paid via check, cash, or credit card <u>over the phone</u>:

General Members: \$25 Leaders: \$5 Horse Members: \$30 Family Cap (3+ members): \$75

Please save your bottles!

We are collecting 2L plastic bottles for 4-H Camp this summer to make stomp rockets. You can drop them off at the Extension Office. Thanks for your help!



Please welcome our new State 4-H Director!



Dr. Angie Freel started her career in 4-H in 1996, as a secretary at the University of Arkansas state 4-H office. From there, she became a county 4-H agent, STEM coordinator, and, most recently, University of Arkansas 4-H Department Head.

Sewing Opportunities

SEWING MACHINES AVAILABLE

The Latah County Extension Office has 5 sewing machines available for youth in the county. These machines can be reserved to be used during the workday (8:30am-5pm M-F) at the Extension Office in our conference room. Please work with your leader and our office to schedule times to reserve the machines.

2023 PALOUSE PATCHERS QUILT SHOW

The Quilt Show will be at the Latah County Fairgrounds April 15 & 16. There will be more than 200 quilts on display along with vendors and refreshments. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and youth under 10. Deadline to enter a quilt is Tuesday, April 4th by the end of the day. The entry form is available at <u>palousepatchers.org</u>. You do not have to be a member of Palouse Patchers to enter a quilt. Drop off is Friday morning, April 14th and pick up is Sunday after 5 on April 16th.

Horse Updates

This year we have the following planned for horse projects:

- Equine Identification forms DUE to the Extension Office April 15
- Practice Horse Judging/Oral Presentations April 15 on UI Campus in Moscow
- Horse Bowl April 30 at Latah County Fairgrounds in Moscow
- Live Horse Judging Contest May TBD in Lewiston
- Nez Perce County Horse Show June TBD in Lewiston
- Latah/Lewis Joint County Horse Show July 29 in Nezperce

Idaho State Department of Agriculture Update:

- A case of Equine Herpesvirus (EHV-1) was confirmed in Gem County.
- Horse owners should incorporate preventative biosecurity measures especially where horses are likely to come in contact with new horses.
- Preventative measures include: disinfect stalls before use, never share water/feed buckets or tack, and avoid unnecessary contact with other horses.
- People working at multiple equine facilities should wash their hands and change their footwear and clothing before entering each facility.

For questions, contact ISDA at 208-332-8500 or info@isda.idaho.gov.

Livestock Opportunities



Project Requirements

- Provide care during the summer grazing period for at least 90 days and ownership for at least 150 days (brand inspection)
- Attend initial weigh-in (April 15)
- Complete a record book, 5 Animal Science lessons, and exhibit at the fair
- Final weight at fair
 - Minimum: 550 lbs; Maximum: 900 lbs

Project Recommendations

- Purchase a calf born between November and January (9-12 months old at fair)
- Target weight is 400-500 lbs at the initial weigh-in and target rate of gain is 1-2 lbs/day
- Feed a high forage diet and hand feed grain
- Do better on the "buddy system" since they are so young, so we recommend penning with a friend or having a floater

For questions contact: Jessie Van Buren, Latah County 4-H Educator jvanburen@uidaho.edu | 208-883-2267

Project Advantages

- Smaller size and easier to handle for younger or beginning members
- Cheaper input costs less feed, lower initial animal price

Frequently Asked Questions

- Do stockers need to weigh-in in April? Yes, you will also declare if your animal is a stocker feeder project or a market steer.
- Can stockers sell at the fair? Yes, stocker feeders will be included in the Latah Market Animal Sale.
- When do stockers show? Stocker feeders have their own Quality class but will show with all other beef projects for Showmanship.



LATAH COUNTY BEEF PROJECT **Livestock Opportunities** OJECT AT KNOTT RESIDENC 25 JAN RÖČFSSING UI MEAT LAB JAN KNOTT RESIDENCE DEC 15 UREN CHRISTENSEN FEB CALVING 25 ŘEADY AT KNOTT RESIDENCE THEN LARSON, UT ALUMNI 8 11 FEB MAR IN CON JUCTION WITH THE FAIRGROUNDS MAR TBA AT ASOTIN CO. FAIR AT SPOKANE JR LIVSTOCK Show entries due 4/10/23 1 REPRODUCTION **CLIPPING** APR LOCATION TBD LOCATION TBD JUL TB AUG SEP AT SMITH RESIDENCE AT SMITH RESIDENCE All Latah County Beef Project Members are invited to participate. Golden Go-4's membership is optional, you can stay with your community club and attend these beef meetings as they fit your schedule. FFA Beef Project members welcome.



Registration is open for the Youth Livestock Field Days!

Contact: Mauri & Punk Knott mauriknott@gmail.com or SheilAnne Smith ssheilanne@gmail.com

Sheep/Goat – March 11, Asotin County Fairgrounds 8am-2pm. Registration: https://2023sheepgoat.eve ntbrite.com

Beef – March 25, UI Livestock Pavilion 8am-2:30pm. Registration: https://2023beef.eventbrite .com

The Latah County Leaders Council has generously decided to sponsor the registration for all active 4 -H youth from Latah County. Contact the Extension Office for the discount code!



The University of Idaho and Washington State University do not discriminate in education or employment on the basis of human differences, as required by state and federal laws. Anyone attending this program that requires auxiliary aids or services should contact UI Extension, Nez Perce County at 1239 Idaho Street, Lewiston, ID 83501 | 208-799-3096 | nezperce@uidaho.edu at least two weeks prior to the event.

Livestock Opportunities

Species	Minimum Weight	Maximum Weight
Market Beef	1100	1550
Stocker Feeder	550	900
Swine	240	295
Sheep	110	150
Goat	70	120

YOUTH LIVESTOCK 4-H WEIGH-INS

Below are the date, time, and locations for this year's livestock weigh-ins. Market animal projects must have their animal (and floater) weighed and tagged at these events.

Beef: April 15 8:30-10:00am, Ul Monson Barn

Swine: June 9 3:00-8:00pm, Latah Fairgrounds

Sheep/Goat: July 6 TBD, Latah Fairgrounds

FAIR FINAL WEIGHT CHANGES

The Latah Market Animal Sale updated some of the minimum weights (**swine, beef**) for final weigh-in at fair. To ensure you will meet the minimum weight requirements, determine how much weight you can reasonably expect your animal to gain per day and multiply that by the number of days you are feeding your animal. This will be your total estimated gain. Subtract the total gain from your target final weight, and select an animal that weighs at least that much. If you have any questions or need help, please feel free to contact Jessie at the Extension Office!



CHIP GILLIAM MEMORIAL PROGRAM

In 1997 the Chip Gilliam Memorial Fund was established to help Latah County youth by providing financial assistance for their 4-H and FFA market animal projects. Loan applications are due to the Fair Office by **March 31**. Applicants must be Latah County 4-H or FFA members and have approval from their 4-H Leader or FFA Advisor. A link to the application can be found <u>here</u>.

Employment/Scholarship Opportunities



LATAH COUNTY 4-H SUMMER INTERN

The Latah County 4-H Program has been approved to host a summer intern through the AmeriCorps program. This position receives a stipend over the summer and a scholarship in the fall. The goal of the program is to "strengthen communities by engaging underserved youth including rural, economically disadvantaged and socially isolated youth in 4-H out-of-school time programs to help them build important life skills and impactful relationships with positive adult role models while working with science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics projects." Applicants must be 17 years or older with a high school diploma/GED. If you know of someone that would be interested, please forward them the information! If you have any questions, please reach out to the office.



PALOUSE EMPIRE TRADES FAIR

MARCH 24, 2023 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. (students and families)

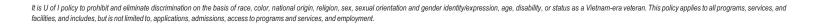
MARCH 25, 2023 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. (all community members)

Join us at the Latah County Fairgrounds for A FREE Skilled Trades Career Fair, featuring a variety of trades in and around Latah County.

For contractor registration contact Kirt the Painter at (208) 704-5478.

Space is limited

FREE TO ATTEND FREE TO REGISTER (SPACE IS LIMITED)



Leader News

eks prior to the event

Registration Open in ZSuite Events! Don't Miss Awesome Trainings, Door Prizes & Drawings!

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 Free for All 4-H Leaders!

 March 4, 9:30am to 2:30pm

Lewiston High School Lunch Included



VOLUNTEER VACANCY ON KYG STEERING COMMITTEE

There is a vacancy for a Volunteer to serve on the KYG Steering Committee. This is a three-year term with an option of a 2nd term. Volunteer Committee Members are expected to attend monthly evening zoom meetings, an inperson meeting in Boise (July 17-18), and the conference. A detailed position description can be found in the Steering **Committee Handbook** (pages 11-12) on the KYG webpage: https:// www.uidaho.edu/ extension/4h/events/knowyour-government. Contact the Extension Office for a copy of the application!

2023 Dates to Remember

March 4	Lewiston High School	Leader Super Saturday Training (Regional)
March 8	Latah County Fairgrounds	UI Latah Extension Advisory Meeting (County)
March 11	Asotin County Fairgrounds, WA	Sheep/Goat Field Day (Regional)
March 25	University of Idaho	Beef Field Day (Regional)
March 27	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Meetings (County)
March 31	Latah County Fairgrounds	Chip Gilliam Applications DUE (County)
April 15	University of Idaho	Beef Weigh-in (County)
April 15	University of Idaho	Practice Horse Judging, Oral Presentations (County)
April 30	Latah County Fairgrounds	Horse Bowl (County)
May 22	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Meetings (County)
June 9	Latah County Fairgrounds	Swine Weigh-in (County)
June 22	Nez Perce County Fairgrounds	4-H Camp Teen Counselor Training (Regional)
June 26-29	University of Idaho	State Teen Association Convention (State)
July 6	Latah County Fairgrounds	Sheep/Goat Weigh-in (County)
July 14-17	Tensed, ID	CL ₂ N 4-H Camp (Regional)
July 20	Latah County Fairgrounds	Small Animal Showmanship Clinic (Regional)
July 24	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Meetings (County)
July 29	Lewis County Fairgrounds	Horse Show (County)
August 2	Latah County Fairgrounds	Cat Show (County)
August 9	Latah County Fairgrounds	Dog Show (County)
August 23	Latah County Fairgrounds	Fashion Review Orientation (County)
August 30	Latah County Fairgrounds	Fashion Review (County)
September 5	Extension Office	Sewing and non-market animal books DUE (County)
September 13-17	Latah County Fairgrounds	Latah County Fair (County)
September 25	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Meetings (County)