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LATAH COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

"To Make the Best Better"

LATAH COUNTY 4-H OFFICE

Happy fall everyone! The last fair in the region ended on Sunday (Lewis County), and I have been busy catching up in the office after helping at the Nez Perce County and Lewis County Fairs. I enjoyed the chance to learn from other 4-H programs this past month but am happy to be back in Latah! However, I don't get to stay long. Our office will be closed on Monday, October 9, and I will be travelling October 9-13 for the National 4-H Professionals Conference in Pittsburg, PA. Ember will also be out of the office next week. On October 27, I will be attending a STEM training in Grangeville. I will update you on my November travel plans in next month's newsletter.

Thank you again for all your hard work last month! Catch up on your post-fair rest, and then let's kick off the new 4-H year!

-Jessie Van Buren

FALL ENROLLMENT ANNOUNCEMENT!

Latah County will open enrollment for the new 4-H year in ZSuite beginning **October 16**. If you are already have a ZSuite account, please <u>do not</u> create a new account. Enrollment will happen through your existing family 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 Horse Members: \$30

Leaders: \$5 Family Cap (3+ members): \$75

New this year: Latah County 4-H enrollment (ZSuite submitted & dues paid) will be due March 31 in order to have a project at the Latah County Fair.

Coming soon: Latah County will soon have an online payment platform! A link to pay dues online will be sent out when it becomes available and will be provided in ZSuite.

Annual club financial reports are due by <u>October 16</u>. This is a process completed annually and is required if clubs are to remain in good standing and enroll members each year. Completed packets can be emailed to jvanburen@uidaho.edu or turned in to the Extension Office.

Club leaders need to complete the following documents (<u>4-H Documents & Forms - UI Extension in Latah County (uidaho.edu)</u>:

- 1. Annual Financial Summary
- 2. Annual Financial Audit Committee Certification
- 3. Financial Audit Form Checklist
- 4. Civil Rights Engagement Report

PLUS - a copy of your club's most recent bank statement.

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2023 Awards Information

2023 APPLICATIONS

Award applications for 2023 are available on the UI Extension, Latah County 4-H website: https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/county/latah/4-h/forms

Friday, October 20 is the deadline for all applications.

- Latah County Comprehensive Award—Latah County 4-H Leaders Council sponsors this award, which includes a comprehensive pin, plaque, 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.

AWARDS NIGHT UPDATE

We will be having Awards Night on **November 5** at the Latah County Fairgrounds. Setup of tables and chairs will be at 3:00pm. Doors will open at 4:00pm. Dinner will be served at 4:30pm followed by the Awards Ceremony. Please bring a side dish to share—meat, drinks, and dessert will be provided.

A year-end award slideshow with photos from throughout the 4-H year is being put together. Please submit any photos you have to Idaho 4-H Photos (https://photos.idaho4h.com/county/Latah/2023) by October 29 to be included in the slideshow.

4-H COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

College scholarships for the 2023-2024 school year are available for 4-H youth who plan to attend post-secondary institutions in Idaho. For information on the scholarships available and how to apply: https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/programs/scholarships.

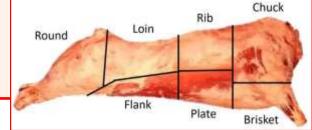
Applications are due by December 15. Please plan ahead and apply early. If you have questions, please contact the UI 4-H Office at 208-885-7700 or fourh@uidaho.edu.

2023 BEEF CARCASS CONTEST

Data collection is underway on the Latah County Beef Carcasses. The Carcass Contest will be at the University of Idaho Meats Lab (next to the Pavilion) on Wednesday, October 18 at 6:00pm. This is a great opportunity to see how a steer from the Fair performs on the meat side for the consumer. (Also, this happens to be my favorite segment of agriculture!)

A big thank you to the local processors and the UI Meat Science Team for making this happen every year!

Study up on your meat cuts, Quality/Yield Grades, and butchery knowledge! You never know when a pop quiz may come (hint hint)!



Thank You Information

SALE SPONSORS

The Latah Market Animal Sale Committee will send you contact information to thank your buyers and supporters within the next week. In addition to thanking your buyer and add on supporters, there are many other individuals and businesses who helped make another **record breaking** Latah Market Animal Sale possible.

Thanking those individuals/businesses for their support will help them keep 4-H and FFA in mind as they make plans for giving back to the community next year. The sale sponsors help keep the cost of the sale down, and the commission on your sale check low. The addresses were previously emailed by LMAS.

PRESENTING SPONSOR

• Latah County Farm Bureau

SUPPORTING SPONSORS

- Pape Machinery
- Furniture Center
- KME Specialties
- The McGregor Company

COMMUNITY SPONSORS

- Columbia Grain
- Washington Trust Bank
- Latah Federal Credit Union
- Deep Creek Angus Ranch

OTHER SUPPORT

- AgWest
- UI Animal, Veterinary, & Food Sciences
- Platinum Sheds of Idaho
- Growers Guide
- Jackson Davis/Presnell Gage

Please thank the Latah Market Animal Sale (LMAS) Committee for an incredible sale this year. This committee is run entirely by volunteers, and the sale would not be possible without them.

200 S Almon Street, STE 201, Moscow, ID 83843

FAIR SPONSORS

Please also take some time to send a thank you note to the sponsors of the Latah County Fair. You can find the list of sponsors here:

https://www.latahcountyfair.com/sponsors.aspx

Latah County Fair Board: The Fair Board works year round to create a place for 4-H to display their projects. Please let them know you appreciate their work and the opportunity to go to the Fair.

1021 Harold St, Moscow, ID 83843

Latah County Commissioners: Tom Lamar, Kathie LaFortune, and John Bohman support the Latah County Fair each year. Our elected officials like to hear from youth in our community, so please drop them a note.

PO Box 8068, Moscow, ID 83843

CHECK PICKUP/THANK YOUS

Historically, checks are written in early November. Checks will be at the 4-H Extension Office and will only be disbursed to exhibitors/parents once all thank you cards have been verified. Youth and/or parents will need to bring all thank you cards for the buyer and add-on supporters to the office in addressed and stamped envelops. The 4-H office will be checking to make sure every supporter on the exhibitor's list from LMAS is completed and turned in. If youth have completed their list prior to checks being available, cards can be verified at the office, and checks can then be picked up once available.

Pictures this year are available at https://sunriselivestock.shootproof.com/gallery/22385933/. Please feel free to use the downloaded pictures however you wish. It is recommend to use them in buyer thank you cards!



CLOVERBUD ACTIVITY SERIES

Mark your calendars for 2023-2024 dates!

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

5:30pm-7:30pm, Latah County Fairgrounds

Leaders and teens in the county will offer three activities for Cloverbud youth that are tailored to the season (fall, winter, spring). Siblings are more than welcome to participate! Dinner for the participants and volunteers will be provided!

Cloverbuds is designed for younger 4-H members ages 5-7. It is focused on noncompetitive, cooperative learning. Cloverbuds can exhibit a small animal (rabbit, poultry, cavy, pet goat) or a static exhibit. Activities completed during this series can be submitted as a static exhibit.

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2023-2024 4-H Dates to Remember

October 16	ZSuite	2023-2024 Enrollment Opens
October 16	Extension Office	Club financial reporting DUE (County)
October 18	Vandal Brand Meats	Carcass Contest (County)
October 20	Extension Office	Award Applications DUE (County)
November 5	Latah County Fairgrounds	Awards Night (County)
November 8	Latah County Fairgrounds	Cloverbud Activity Night (County)
November 27	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Meetings (County)
January 22	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Meetings (County)
February 7	Latah County Fairgrounds	Cloverbud Activity Night (County)
February 17-19	Boise	Know Your Government (State)
February 25	Latah County Fairgrounds	Model Horse Show (County)
February 26	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leader Training—Protecting Minors (County)
March 25	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Meetings (County)
March 31	Extension Office	Enrollment DUE (County)
April 22	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leader Training—ZSuite (County)
May 8	Latah County Fairgrounds	Cloverbud Activity Night (County)

Be sure to follow *UI Extension* 4-H, Latah County on Facebook to stay up to date on county events and other regional opportunities!

